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WASHINGTON.

Important Railroad Bills Under Discussion in the Senate.

Opposition to the Projected Washington and New-York Road.

Proposed Substitute for the Constitutional Amendment Regarding Suffrage.

Special Dispatches to the New-York Times.

WASHINGTON, Friday, Jan. 22.

There are at present under discussion in the Senate two important bills, one introduced by Mr. SHERMAN, and the other by Mr. MORTON, both of which have an important bearing on the railroad interests of the country, and the daily debates on which continue to attract more and more attention. Mr. SHERMAN proposes to incorporate three companies to construct railroads through several States from his city without the consent of said States, and Mr. MORTON advocates the passage of a law by Congress declaring that it shall be unlawful for any State to levy and collect a capitation tax on passengers. The railroad managers of the country are up in arms against both of these measures, and every means possible, legitimate and illegitimate, are being used to defeat them. It cannot be denied that there is much ground of complaint against the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad Company so far as the City of Washington is concerned. The charges on freight are reported to be almost extortionate, and the business men of the city complain that the delivery of goods is unusually and unsatisfactory. Mr. SHERMAN holds that it is the duty of Congress to see that there should be free access to and egress from the National Capitol which, he claims, does not now exist. The debate on this and the cognate bill of Mr. MORTON, which seeks to abolish the Maryland and New-Jersey passenger tax, has taken a wide range both of law and fact. Mr. VICKERS and Mr. WEST, the Maryland Senators, who are, of course, looking to the interests of their State, have inveighed against both measures in the strongest terms, assailing them on grounds of injustice and unconstitutionality. Mr. DOOLITTLE and Mr. FRELINGHUYSEN ranged themselves on the same side to-day. The latter made a really eloquent speech in endorsement of his own State, her works and services and patriotic history, disclaiming at the same time, which was quite unnecessary, all connection with or interest in the Camden and Amboy Railroad. He fortified his argument with numerous legal decisions, facts and figures, holding that Congress itself had adopted the same theory of railroad taxation as New-Jersey when it levied upon the gross receipts of the railroads of the country from passengers and freight. It is impossible at this writing to say what view the Senate will take of both these propositions. There is a feeling, however, in Congress that there should be more refined lines leading to Washington, but the precise form in which it will find expression is now doubtful. Congressmen, capitalists and speculators are beginning to think that Washington might possibly become an important commercial centre, and it is safe to assume that the necessary legislation will not be denied if there is any prospect that legislation can help effect so desirable a result.

THE SUFFRAGE QUESTION.

Senator WILLIAMS, of Oregon, gave notice in the Senate that he will move the following, as a substitute for the Constitutional Amendment, in regard to suffrage reported by the Judiciary Committee:

"Congress shall have power to abolish or modify any restrictions upon the right to vote or hold office, prescribed by the Constitution or laws of any State."

This is for the purpose of putting it within the power of Congress at all times to abrogate or modify any disabilities which a State may impose upon the exercise of suffrage. At the same time it gives Congress no power to impose any disabilities or restrictions. The Constitutional Suffrage amendment reported from the House Judiciary Committee two weeks ago, as also the Suffrage bill, will come up to-morrow, and Gov. BOUTWELL will open the debate. The amendment will pass promptly, but there is much opposition to the bill from Republicans; and though it will probably pass, it is doubtful if it can get the two-thirds necessary to carry it over a veto.

NEW FINANCIAL MEASURES.

The following bill was reported from the Banking and Currency Committee to-day, and Mr. INGERSOLL, who had the floor, yielded for the purpose of allowing the bill to be put upon its passage, but objection being made, it went over. It will come up again to-morrow, and, as it has been unanimously agreed to in the Committee, its passage is very probable. Wall-street will readily perceive its meaning, and if it can accomplish what it aims at, it will prove a beneficent measure. This bill is reported as a substitute for the one printed to-day, and is wholly different from it:

Be it enacted, &c., That no bank, association, company, firm, or person, or any officer, shall offer or receive United States notes or National Bank notes as security or as collateral security for any loan of money, or who, for a consideration, shall agree to withhold the same from use, or shall offer or receive the custody or promise of custody of such notes, as the security or collateral security, or consideration for, any loan of money; and any person or persons offending against the provisions of this act shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof in any United States Court having jurisdiction, shall be punished by a fine not exceeding $1,000, and by a further sum equal to one-third of the money so loaned; and the President or Cashier of any bank, association, or corporation making such loan or loans shall be liable for a further sum equal to one-quarter of the money so loaned, and the prosecution of such offenders shall be commenced and conducted, as provided for the punishment of offenses in an act to provide a national currency, approved June 3, 1864, and the fine or penalty so recovered shall be for the benefit of the party bringing such suit.

THE TENURE-OF-OFFICE ACT.

The Senate branch of the Retrenchment Committee, to which was referred the House bill for the repeal of the Tenure-of-Office act, will meet on Monday next to consider the subject for the first time. The Committee consists of Messrs. EDMUNDS, PATTERSON, of New-Hampshire, WILLIAMS and BUCKALEW. Messrs. PATTERSON and WILLIAMS are against repeal, and in favor of modification. Mr. EDMUNDS is believed to be likewise. Mr. BUCKALEW, being a Democrat, is in favor of repeal. The contest in the Senate will be very close, with the chances in favor of some modification of the act rather than its repeal. The feeling on the part of the Senate, as indicated in these discussions over a month ago, is one of reluctance at relinquishing this great power, capable of being wielded so effectively to compel a President to nominate at the dictation of the Senate.

RECONSTRUCTION.

The Judiciary Committee of the Senate will probably decide the question of the reconstruction of Georgia, and the admission of Mr. HILL to his seat in the Senate, to-morrow. A special meeting of the Committee has been called to consider the report against the admission of Mr. HILL, which Senator SHERMAN is preparing. The Virginia movement drags its slow length along through two committees of Congress. The Judiciary Committee of the Senate have a score of statements before them on the subject, and the Reconstruction Committee of the House have two or three middle-sized volumes of testimony on their table. JOHN B. BALDWIN and FRANKLIN STRAUGHAN, one prominent citizen of Virginia, were before the House Committee to-day, and were examined in reference to the present condition and prospects of the State.

DELEGATION FROM THE SOCIETY OF FRIENDS.

A large delegation from the yearly meeting of the Society of Friends, which has been in session at Baltimore for the past few days, arrived here to-day and called at the Capitol, where they had a long interview with Senator FESSENDEN, and discussed his bill for the creation of a new civil department for the Indians. They will appear before the Senate Committee on Indian Affairs on Monday, and advocate a civil administration of Indian affairs in opposition to that of the military, which they regard as barbarous, unjust, and at variance with the teachings of peace which lie at the foundation of their own peculiar sect.

THE POSTAL AND TELEGRAPHIC SYSTEMS.

The House Committee on Post Office continued their investigation and consideration of the scheme to turn the telegraph lines of the country over to the Government, but no decision was arrived at on the subject. Colonel R. WARREN, one of the directors of the Western Union Telegraph Company, made a lengthy argument on the subject to the Committee, in which he presented some cogent statements against the passage of the Bill now before Congress looking to the attainment of the above-mentioned object.

HOW TO RAILROAD SUBSIDIES.

Railroad subsidies received another slap to-day this time in the Senate. The Pacific Railroad Committee, consisting of eleven members, unanimously reported, through Mr. DRAKE, a resolution to the effect that it is inexpedient for the Government to grant any further subsidies of bonds to railroads. There are several strong opponents to the proposition in the Senate, but it will doubtless pass after the usual debate.

REVENUE MATTERS.

The Secretary of the Treasury sent a communication to Congress yesterday, asking the passage of a bill to enable the Internal Revenue Department to refund the penalty of fifty per centum of the direct taxes imposed by the act for the collection of direct taxes in insurrectionary districts, which had been collected before sale for non-payment. The money which is thus sought to be returned was collected under a misapprehension of instructions from the Department, and is due principally in Texas.

THE LATE CONGRESSMAN HINDS.

The House to-day paid due honors to the memory of the late Hon. JAMES HINDS, of Arkansas, so foully assassinated during the campaign by unmuzzled rebels. Feeling eulogies were delivered by his colleagues, Messrs. BOLES and HOGAN, and by Messrs. ARNELL and MCPHERSON, of Tennessee. The particulars of his unfortunate and terrible death, as they were narrated by Mr. BOLES, produced a deep impression upon the House.

THE NOMINATIONS.

Mr. CAMERON made a strong effort to-day to obtain an Executive Session, for the purpose of acting upon the nomination of Mr. CUMMINGS, as Commissioner of Internal Revenue, but did not succeed. SUMNER and CUMMINGS were in joint convention at the Capitol, and it was supposed they would join their forces for the purpose of putting both nominations through. Nothing was done, however.

Dispatches to the Associated Press.

WASHINGTON, Friday, Jan. 22.

BANK STATEMENT.

The following is an abstract of the quarterly reports of the National Banking Associations of the City of New-York, showing their condition on the morning of the first Monday in January, 1869, before the commencement of business:

Resources.

Loans and discounts	$168,692,211 40
Overdrafts	217,009 40
United States bonds to secure circulation	43,450,450 00
United States bonds to secure deposits	4,059,000 00
United States bonds and securities on hand	9,949,750 00
Other stocks, bonds and mortgages	4,776,249 20
Due from National Banks	11,521,609 54
Due from other banks and bankers	1,491,650 00
Real estate, furniture and fixtures	7,049,179 81
Current expenses	624,317 82
Premiums	617,196 99
Checks and other cash items	111,303,951 73
Bills of National Banks	1,581,926 00
Bills of other banks	14,940 00
Fractional currency	307,016 08
Specie	23,236,449 07
Legal-tender notes	15,973,697 00
Compound-interest notes	15,550 00
Three per cent. certificates	50,245,000 00
Total	$490,969,225 91

Liabilities.

Capital stock	$74,837,700 00
Surplus fund	15,959,627 17
Undivided profits	7,988,221 27
National Bank notes outstanding	25,393,295 00
State Bank notes outstanding	263,228 00
Individual deposits	222,038,396 23
United States deposits	1,036,814 25
Due to National Banks	55,461,196 94
Due to other banks and bankers	15,876,095 36
Total	$490,969,225 91

The following is an abstract of the quarterly reports of the National Banking Associations of the City of Boston, showing their condition on the morning of the first Monday in January, 1869, before the commencement of business:

Resources.

Loans and discounts	$64,021,816 55
Overdrafts	41,269 00
United States bonds to secure circulation	29,624,600 00
United States bonds to secure deposits	1,050,000 00
United States bonds and securities on hand	8,498,100 00
Other stocks, bonds and mortgages	985,045 00
Due from approved redeeming agents	6,074,361 36
Due from National Banks	2,810,977 60
Due from other banks and bankers	179,603 82
Real estate, furniture and fixtures	1,295,970 00
Current expenses	306,408 00
Premiums	9,239 54
Checks and other cash items	6,045,926 72
Bills of National Banks	1,562,976 00
Bills of other banks	2,159 00
Fractional currency	176,776 26
Specie	8,095,978 94
Legal-tender notes	7,726,000 00
Three per cent. certificates	2,945,000 00
Total	$154,561,898 01

Liabilities.

Capital stock	$42,930,000 00
Surplus fund	5,730,000 00
Undivided profits	2,902,476 54
National Bank notes outstanding	25,630,975 00
State Bank notes outstanding	126,022 00
Individual deposits	86,606,057 26
United States deposits	487,134 28
Due to National Banks	12,758,024 26
Due to other banks and bankers	1,472,014 73
Total	$154,561,898 01

The following is an abstract of the quarterly reports of the National Banking Associations of the City of Philadelphia, showing their condition on the morning of the first Monday in January, 1869, before the commencement of business:

Resources.

Loans and discounts	$25,041,428 86
Overdrafts	20,581 72
United States bonds to secure circulation	12,049,700 00
United States bonds to secure deposits	1,800,000 00
United States bonds and securities on hand	1,400,900 00
Other stocks, bonds and mortgages	1,860,614 50
Due from approved redeeming agents	1,807,146 90
Due from National Banks	3,276,002 04
Due from other banks and bankers	652,719 82
Real estate, furniture and fixtures	1,543,197 80
Current expenses	207,267 84
Premiums	60,611 73
Checks and other cash items	2,216,405 32
Bills of National Banks	654,502 00
Bills of other Banks	7,256 00
Fractional currency	133,040 19
Specie	452,768 17
Legal-tender notes	2,974,936 00
Compound-interest notes	30,020 00
Three per cent. certificates	6,556,000 00
Total	$83,926,597 93

Liabilities.

Capital stock	$16,817,180 00
Surplus fund	6,135,457 00
Undivided profits	1,873,298 01
National Bank notes outstanding	12,971,960 00
State bank notes outstanding	96,356 00
Individual deposits	40,906,269 00
United States deposits	602,497 00
Due to National Banks	5,791,621 15
Due to other banks and bankers	1,010,818 68
Total	$83,926,597 93

THE TOBACCO CONVENTION.

The Tobacco Convention, sitting in this city, have appointed an executive committee to present to Congress their views. They want tax-paid goods relieved from the payment of another tax, and manage to be furnished free for all tax-paid tobacco, snuff and cigars; and that no tobacco, snuff or cigars be sold after the passage of the law granting such claim, unless such tobacco, cigars and snuff shall be properly stamped; that it shall be lawful to allow retailers to sell snuff in jars and bladders. [illegible]

the most are duly stamped according to law; that the law should be amended so as not to require the name of manufacturer to appear on the brand and label now required by the Government, but the numbering of factory, district and State be retained.

THE COAST SURVEY.

The Superintendent of the Coast Survey, in a letter to Secretary MCCULLOCH, says, fifty sets of meteric standards of length are in process of construction. Of them, fifty boxes comprising [illegible] are ready for dividing in the cases, and thirteen sets for copying graduation are finished. The apparatus for making the graduations is constructed, and very nearly adjusted. Fifty blocks are made, of which twenty-seven are in boxes, and sixteen adjusted. Fifty double-tables are ready for adjusting, and six double-tables are ready for adjusting. Six double-tables under way. Twelve boxes are partly finished, and four boxes are wholly finished, but not yet adjusted. The Superintendent recommends the appropriation of $20,000 for the construction of metric standards, to be furnished each State, according to the act of July 28, 1866. He says the cost of each set is $400. The reason for constructing fifty sets is to have enough to supply future States.

RECEPTION OF SPEAKER COLFAX AND WIFE.

This evening the reception of Speaker and Mrs. COLFAX took place, and also that of Secretary and Mrs. MCCULLOCH. They were each attended by a large number of ladies and gentlemen, including members of the Cabinet, Foreign Ministers, Congressmen and officers of the army and navy. These receptions were among the most brilliant of the season.

THE SUPREME COURT.

The United States Supreme Court adjourned over from yesterday until Monday, in order to allow the Judges to consult on important questions, including that involving the constitutionality of the Legal-tender act, upon which they are engaged to-day.

NOMINATIONS BY THE PRESIDENT.

The President nominated to the Senate, to-day, JOHN J. SPEWARE, of Maryland, to be Minister at Constantinople; SELAH WARREN, of Tennessee, to be Minister Resident at Ecuador; DELOS LAKE, to be United States Attorney for the District of California; J. M. GARESCHE, to be Pension Agent at St. Louis.

FORTIETH CONGRESS.

THIRD SESSION.

SENATE....WASHINGTON, Friday, Jan. 22.

The President presented the credentials of JAMES A. BAYARD and THOMAS F. BAYARD, Senators elect from Delaware.

Mr. TRUMBULL, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported the House joint resolution providing for the disposition of certain papers relating to claims against the Departments of the West, with amendment, which was adopted, after which the resolution was passed.

PETITIONS.

Mr. POMEROY presented the petitions of certain ladies of Niagara County, N. Y., and citizens of New-Hampshire and Florida for equal suffrage.

Mr. CONKLING presented a petition for the abolition of the duty on certain standard drugs and medicines which have to be imported, and which do not interfere with native production. He also presented the petition of forty women of Onondaga County, N. Y., for woman suffrage, and congratulated himself on having been selected to present such a petition in preference to the Senator from Kansas, (Mr. POMEROY,) who had been so much favored in that way by the ladies, that of late he had come to present their petitions in rather cold and businesslike manner, not befitting in so gallant a gentleman. He presented the petition, he, (Mr. CONKLING,) though not an advocate of the cause, thought it but just to say to those who regarded intelligence as a sufficient reason for the exercise of the right of suffrage, that they should look with respect on the moment to secure that right for women, because it had been the chief, and most ably urged and sustained by the longest and purest of women.

RAILROAD SUBSIDIES.

Mr. DRAKE, by the unanimous instruction of the Committee on the Pacific Railroad, reported, and asked for immediate consideration of the resolution declaring that it is inexpedient to grant further aid in the shape of any subsidy in Government bonds, to any railroad enterprise not entitled to it under existing laws.

Mr. ROSCOE CONKLING objected, and the resolution went over.

ILLEGAL TAXES UPON PASSENGERS.

Mr. FRELINGHUYSEN then addressed the Senate in reply to the argument of Mr. MORTON, yesterday, on his bill to punish the collection of illegal taxes upon passengers, &c. After eulogizing the loyalty, liberality, and patriotic generosity of New-Jersey, and comparing her contributions to the National Treasury with those of Indiana, to the disadvantage of the latter, he passed to the discussion of the New-Jersey mode of taxing her railroads, which he thought at least as just as any other mode, because it taxed the corporations in proportion to the amount of business, that is, in proportion to their ability to pay. He denied that the Capitation tax was (as Mr. MORTON had contended) a tax upon passengers any more than all other taxes upon railroads were, and New-Jersey, he said, had carefully guarded (in case of one railroad at least) against the addition of a tax upon passengers by providing that the fare between New-York and Philadelphia should not exceed $3. In reply to Mr. MORTON's argument that this tax violated the Fourteenth Constitutional Amendment because it abridged the right of free travel, one of the immunities of citizens, against the abridgement of which the amendment provided, he said it would be just as reasonable to say that one of the immunities of the citizen was travel over the railroads of the country without paying anything.

Mr. MORTON made a brief rejoinder, in which he reasserted that the tax levied by New-Jersey on the Camden and Amboy Road was, in substance, a tax on passengers, and moment provided, in the supporters of the road, and in support of it. He read an extract from an opinion by Mr. MCLEAN, of the Supreme Court. It was the character of the business tax, rather than amount of tax levied, that was to be considered and determined.

Mr. CAMERON asked him whether the railroads of Indiana paid tax, and if so, where they got the ability to pay it?

Mr. MORTON replied that the railroads of Indiana paid tax just as other kinds of business paid them, but were not subjected to any special tax. The discussion was interrupted by the expiration of the morning hour.

BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Mr. POMEROY, from the Committee on Public Lands, reported a bill to grant lands to aid in the construction of a railroad from the Mississippi River to Tamboe on the Missouri River, and around the Sioux City, May 13, 1864, granting lands to the State of Iowa to aid in the construction of a railroad in said state.

It transfers the grant made by the above-named act for the benefit of the Montezuma and Sioux City Railway Company, and grants the same to the company to aid in an extension of the line eighty miles further to Sioux City.

Mr. POMEROY, from the same Committee, reported back the bill to legalize certain land locations, which declares that the provisions of the act of July 27, 1866, shall not apply to locations of agricultural colleges, and that such locations may be made hereafter before receipt of official notice of the passage.

Mr. STEWART introduced a bill relative to the refining of gold and silver bullion at the Mint of the United States and branches, which was referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

It authorizes the Secretary of the Treasury, whenever in his judgment and in the judgment of the Director of the Mint, it is for the interest of the United States to do so, to receive on deposits at the Mint and at its branches refined gold and silver bullion, to be refined and minted, gold and silver, suitable for coinage, and in payment thereof, to deliver to the parties making such deposits, bullion of such fineness and upon such terms and regulations as shall be prescribed by the Director of the Mint, and subject to the approval of the Secretary of the Treasury.

Mr. WILSON offered a joint resolution to draw from the safe or the army the officers absent without leave, which was referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Mr. WILSON offered a joint resolution recognizing Prof. AGASSIZ a regent of the Smithsonian Institution, which was passed.

THE PACIFIC RAILROAD.

Mr. HOWARD, from the Committee on the Pacific Railroad, reported a joint resolution directing the Secretary of the Treasury to receive and withhold from the Union Pacific Railroad Company, and from each of its branches, Government bonds to the amount of $28,000 per mile, as security for the completion of the several lines of the road, according to the provisions of the law, this amount per mile to be reserved until the President of the United States shall have certified that the roads are so completed, whether it be for construction by any Commission, who shall examine the roads and report the expense of such examination, to be paid by the Pacific Railroad Companies. Concurred in and laid on the table.

EAST RIVER BRIDGE.

Mr. MORGAN introduced a bill to establish a bridge across the East River between New-York and Brooklyn. Referred to the Committee on Commerce.

RAILROAD BETWEEN WASHINGTON AND NEW-YORK.

The Senate then resumed consideration of the bill to promote commerce among States, which, by the amendment yesterday, is now simply a bill to authorize the construction of a railroad between Washington and New-York. The pending amendment was that offered by Mr. DOOLITTLE to require the consent of the Legislatures of the States through which the road would pass. Upon this Senator FESSENDEN said a right to authorize the construction of a railroad through the territory of a State without the consent of the Legislature of the State, was, in his judgment, unauthorized by the Constitution of the United States. Upon other occasions, when he had bill in his hand to oppose the measures of the Legislature on the ground that they were unconstitutional, he had been generally met by argument or appeals based upon the higher law or justice, or the "virgin power," or the "magic of woman," but here, in fact, was a case in which the question of constitutionality might be discussed impartially by outside contributions, because he could hardly suppose in discussing a question of the right of Congress to create new railroad companies, and authorize them to construct roads through States, that could be any opportunity for the Senator from Massachusetts (Mr. SUMNER) to appeal to the "war power," or for the other Senator from Massachusetts (Mr. WILSON) to rage the passage of the bill for the sake of God and humanity. (Laughter.) The question of the constitutionality of the proposed measure of legislation he had always felt to be of importance, and (lest he be had no regret for his speaking for unconstitutional measures, but, on the contrary, if they could be again presented for his action, he would oppose them more earnestly, and, he hoped, more successfully, than before. The need for a new railroad between New-York and Washington was less now than at any time for the last twenty-five years. It was not so far from Washington to Baltimore as it was toward the West, and there was no occasion to ask Congress to authorize the construction of it, because the States would undoubtedly be found willing, whatever might have been their past policy, to charter as many roads as were needed for the public good; but even if the proposed roads were needed, he opposed the bill first, because the Constitution gave Congress no power to grant powers to any corporations either expressly or by implication. Second—Because Congress had no right to assert the right of eminent domain over the territory of a State, and thereby so cast the jurisdiction of the State itself. Third—Because Congress had no power to withdraw valuable and important property interests belonging to the States out of the reach of taxation by the States. In conclusion he said it was well known that he would soon retire from the Senate, and probably from public life, for which reason he was the less likely to be influenced by other considerations than duties for the happiness and prosperity of his country, and therefore he spoke with confidence to his brother Senators, not to allow themselves to be persuaded by the specious plea of commercial necessity, or of building up Washington into a great Capital, to enter upon the dangerous experiment proposed in this bill—a measure of legislation which would result in subjecting the Government to the control of mammoth corporations having neither bodies to be kicked nor souls to be damned, and in whose hands Congress and the President would be but playthings.

CONTESTED ELECTION CASES.

Mr. CONKLING, from the Committee of Conference in regard to the amendment to the bill to prescribe the mode of obtaining evidence in contested election cases, reported that they had agreed to it in a form authorizing Registers in Bankruptcy and Notaries Public to take such evidence.

After some discussion the report was agreed to.

Mr. CAMERON moved to go into Executive session, but before a question could be put, Mr. GRIMES moved to adjourn, and accordingly the Senate, at 3:30 o'clock, adjourned until to-morrow.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

Mr. STEWART presented the petitions of IVES, BERGNER & Co., DUVIVIER & Co., and other merchants of New-York, for a reduction of the tax on sales of liquors. Also, the petitions of WELLINGTON & COX, P. W. BESS & Co., PARK & TILFORD, and other New-York merchants, for amendment of section 56 of the act of July 20, 1868.

Mr. POLAND, from the Committee on Revision of the Laws, made a report in reference to the extension of the forty per cent. clause shown in the Banking law, and to the printing of notices in bankruptcy. Ordered to be printed and recommitted.

BILLS INTRODUCED AND REPORTED.

Mr. KELLEY introduced a bill to establish an assay office in Montana, to convert the branch mint at Denver, Colorado, into an assay office, and relative to the refining of gold and silver bullion at the United States Mint and branches. Referred to the Committee on Coinage, Weights and Measures.

Mr. KOOSER, from the Committee on the District of Columbia, reported a bill to amend the charter of the corporation of Georgetown; the District of Columbia giving the corporation a right to impose a mileage tax. After debate, the bill was laid on the table.

Mr. INGERSOLL, from the same Committee, reported a bill changing the name of Four and a Half-street, in Washington, to Lincoln-avenue. Passed.

Mr. WELKER, from the same Committee, reported a bill to establish a Police Court in the District of Columbia. After some discussion, the morning hour having expired, the bill went over until the next private bill day.

Mr. DAWES, from the Committee on Conference, on the bill relative to taking testimony in contested election cases, made a report which was agreed to.

A NEW FINANCIAL BILL.

Mr. GRISWOLD introduced a bill to diminish the fluctuations in gold, and to provide for a return to specie payment, which was referred to Committee on Ways and Means, and ordered to be printed.

The bill proposes that the gold notes by the Government redeemable in coin and receivable for all government dues, not to exceed $30,000,000, and not to exceed the amount of gold in the Treasury, and the national currency, be made a legal tender throughout circulation. The amount of gold in the Treasury, above that required for three months' interest on the public debt, is to be used in redeeming greenbacks at the average gold value. The bill contains several other propositions. It was not prepared by Mr. GRISWOLD, but was drawn by Mr. [illegible] at the request of its author, for the consideration of the Committee.

THE DENVER PACIFIC RAILWAY AND TELEGRAPH.

The House then at 1 o'clock resumed consideration of the bill granting land to the Denver Pacific Railway and Telegraph Company.

Mr. VAN TRUMP continued his argument against the bill, which he had commenced on Wednesday.

Mr. CLARKE, of Kansas, followed in defence of the bill. He condemned what he called the unbridled licentiousness of debate indulged in by Mr. WASHBURNE, of Illinois, against the bill, and said that that gentleman had grown furious at a phantom, and that somebody had furnished him with imaginings instead of facts. He argued that as a matter of simple economy to the Government in the transportation of army supplies, the passage of the bill was a public necessity.

Mr. LOGAN modified his substitute so as to read as follows:

Be it enacted, &c., That the Union Pacific Railroad Company, Eastern Division, is hereby authorized to construct a branch road from the point on the main road of its present location, to strike in the direction of or Cheyenne Wells, and shall have authority to issue its bonds secured on the entire line of said branch road to be rebuilt, said bonds to run forty years, and to bear interest at the rate of six per cent. per annum, payable semi-annually on the 1st day of February and August in each year in gold coin of the United States, and principal to be payable at the Treasury of the United States, or at the office of the Assistant Treasurer of the United States in the City of New-York, at the option of the Secretary of the Treasury, under such rules and regulations as the Secretary of the Treasury may prescribe; said bonds to be issued by the United States, upon the report of three competent persons, to be commissioners to examine said road; and, on receipt of twenty miles of said road, are built in a good and substantial manner, to the satisfaction of said commissioners, writing to the President, who, being satisfied with such report, shall approve the same, and cause it to be filed with the Secretary of State, whereupon the United States shall guarantee the payment of the interest of the bonds authorized to be issued as aforesaid to the extent of twenty miles of said road, and, in payment of said road, and, in payment of said road, and, in payment

AFFAIRS IN ENGLAND.

The Paris Conference—The National Expenditure—Financial Prospects—Christmas Entertainments—A New Book.

From Our Own Correspondent.

LONDON, Saturday, Jan. 8, 1869.

Public interest turns to-day upon the Conference just opened in Paris. That the result of this meeting of Plenipotentiaries is to be the preservation of peace no one can doubt. In fact, what is to cause war? A dispute has arisen between Turkey and Greece. The other Powers say, "Stop a moment! We will settle all this for you. Let us have a conference on the subject, and we will invite only one party to the dispute to take a share in our deliberations. When we hear what one side wants it will be very easy to come to an understanding." That is all very well for Turkey—but what does Greece think about it? To which the answer is that in this part of the world no one cares in the least what she thinks. She is dreadfully scolded for her impertinence in daring to act in such a way as to call attention to herself. Why cannot these little States be "humble," like Mr. GLADSTONE in his letter to Mr. ISAAC, quoted from the NEW-YORK TIMES in all our papers to-day? Says Mr. GLADSTONE, "I took too much upon myself in expressing such an opinion." If Greece would only say as much in regard to the relations between Crete and Turkey, she might hope for forgiveness. But it is very evident that she has no such intention.

The unanimity with which Greece is rated this very morning by all the London papers is almost surprising, considering that these keepers of the public conscience scarcely ever agree on any question. The *Times* dismisses her with a gesture: "Every consideration of prudence bids the Greek Government retire from the position it has assumed." The Radical *Daily News* settles the matter in an equally summary fashion: "It may not unreasonably be expected that the little Hellenic kingdom will * * not by a willful and wayward petulance provoke a punishment at which its protectors must either look on or take the office of head master upon themselves, and prevent a flogging by putting the incorrigible youngster under lock and key." This style of treating another nation's affairs is very pleasing to the British mind. The *Daily News* is very popular to-day with its readers. We are the head master. We either pat the little boys who live in the rest of the world on the heads, and call them good children, or threaten to shut them up in the dark cupboard. We have been doing that for a good many years past, and we continue to do it still, although no one minds us much now. It is clear, however, that we cannot help that.

The Conference, then, is to end in peace—so we have decided. Our books at the beginning of the year would be pretty clear, as regards other Powers, if it were not for that *Alabama* account still unsettled. Mr. REVERDY JOHNSON told us it was all done with weeks ago, but I am afraid not many people believed it. I see that a "Veteran Observer" makes light of the money part of the claim, and appears to suggest that if England admitted she had violated the Neutrality laws toward the United States it would be taken as reparation. Possibly I may have misunderstood the letter, but if not, there would probably be less difficulty about obtaining the acknowledgment in question than a "Veteran Observer" imagines. There was always a large proportion of the people who believed that the builders of Confederate cruisers deserved to be punished. But they knew nothing of the legal points at issue, and the Government was left to act according to the advice of its law officers. The right and wrong of the question is still confused to the minds of most people, but they begin to see that if it had not been for Mr. LAIRD's yard at Birkenhead there would have been no *Alabama*, and that the Government would have done well to have stopped that vessel. If we are to pay for the damages it caused, let it first be decided that we are liable. But if an expression of regret at the whole transaction would suffice, we need no arbitrator to intervene. But, for my own part, I believe that it would not suffice. The next time that England goes to war, we shall hear from the American people themselves on the subject of the *Alabama* claims, and they will not speak in the dulcet tones of Mr. REVERDY JOHNSON. Some steamer of the Pacific Mail line, or other suitable craft, will be able to show a large assortment of chronometers, stolen from peaceful merchantmen, as Capt. SEMMES himself was ever able to boast of. That is the way *Alabama* claims are likely to be wiped out, in my opinion, but I trust the opinion is destined to be disproved. Nothing would be satisfied by retaliation, except a sentiment of revenge.

THE NATIONAL EXPENDITURE.

Whatever may be the intentions of other people in regard to England, her present Government is bent upon cutting down the national expenditure, beginning with the army. No one can deny that there was great need of reform in this particular direction. Our army at present costs us £77,275,000 a year, gold, (£15,455,000.) This is a great deal of money, and more than we can afford to pay. Moreover, we do not get the value of it. Immense sums are as much squandered, so far as the national interests are concerned, as if they were thrown into the sea. It is estimated that of the £15,455,000 just mentioned, only little more than £5,500,000 go to the soldier. What becomes of all the rest? To useful purposes a large portion of it is devoted, no doubt, but there is a reckless extravagance in the various departments which has added greatly to the burden imposed upon the nation, and this demands attention. Now, so much boasting was uttered by Mr. GLADSTONE and his supporters during the recent elections with reference to the great things they would do in the way of saving the nation's money, that they cannot, for very shame, let everything go on as before. If Mr. GLADSTONE only takes some of the crushing weight of taxation from off our shoulders, and takes it off so that it will not be found necessary to double the old load on a future occasion, I for one shall join the *Spectator* in paying deep homage to his name. "A new broom sweeps clean," says the cynical old proverb. There is a tremendous stir just now in all the departments. All sorts of comfortable sinecures are threatened, and the staff of clerks is to be diminished. I have a friend in the Hot Pitch Department who assures me, in language prompted by his sense of injuries, that the Government is playing the very d—l with the service. "Another new order," he said, "for a return of all the writers and other persons employed in the department. What is to be the end of it? There isn't a man to spare in our place." Knowing that my excellent friend has one of these extremely eligible posts in which the pay is high and all the work put out, I said, "There is one comfort—they will never be able to do without you." "No," he said, with a grave shake of the head, "they cannot do that; but still it is very unpleasant all this fussing and prying." He turned for consolation into his Club.

The bombshells have fallen in all directions. Would you believe it?—even that tremendous potentate, His Royal Highness the Duke of Cambridge, has been disturbed. There is a story going about to the effect that the Secretary at War sent in a list of items upon each of which a large reduction was demanded. His Royal Highness "the Duke" returned the memorandum with a note saying that he was very anxious to concur with the Government in reducing the estimates, but really the items specified must go unaltered—nothing could be done, &c. This plan has always answered before, but the new Secretary, Mr. CARDWELL, was not to be put off with the old formalities. He merely returned his dreadful paper with the intimation that the desired reductions "must" be effected, and that immediately, in time for the opening of the session in February. Must! Did you ever hear of such frightful language being used to a Royal Duke before? Let us imagine the row there was at the Horse Guards on the day Mr. CARDWELL's message was received there. It is a wonder the roof of the building was not blown off. Strong words must have passed the lips of His Royal Highness, and the recording angel whose duty it is to register oaths must have passed an extremely busy morning. As to blotting them out, a river of tears wouldn't have done it.

Since this story got about the opinion of the older officers is that there is not much hope for the country. I, not being an officer, but only a taxpayer, differ from this view, and think that if Mr. GLADSTONE and his colleagues go on with the policy which they are holding out before our anxious eyes, there is better hope for the nation than we have seen for many a long day. There is so much chicanery in public life that it is hard to believe Mr. GLADSTONE is in earnest in this work. But what good he might do if he were so minded! If he would but set Mr. GOSCHEN to work to deal with local taxation! Here we are paying close upon £10,000,000 every year merely for parochial rates and taxes, and the last year's returns show "an increase under every head."

Who would not be an Englishman?

At a time when most people are drawing long faces over their check-books, and are not able to make out very clearly where the money to pay the tradesmen's bills is to come from, that young man with £300,000 a year is presented to our notice once more. With a million and a half dollars in gold per annum, a man might live very comfortably, I think, in any part of the United States. The Marquis of Bute is trying to pass existence upon it in Europe. I have known people to do it on less, but then they had not "blue blood" in their veins. Was suffering a man might relieve with such an income as this, and yet never miss a sixpence he had given away. Not long ago all the newspapers congratulated the young Marquis on coming into his property, and carefully pointed out what he ought to do and what he ought not to do; and now the ungrateful young man has actually been to Nice and joined the Roman Catholics. Well may the *Times* be shocked. What is the use of giving a whole leader-full of good advice to a young man if he goes and acts in this way directly afterward? As one of the papers points out, the comments of the *Times* were most amusing. The writer agreed that the Marquis ought to have been slower in changing his convictions than a poor man—in fact, he ought to have remembered his duty to "Society." Society, no doubt, agrees with the *Times*, especially as that journal has just come forth in a half-frightened sort of way to defend primogeniture. A letter signed "L." (Lord LYVEDEN, probably,) was published, deprecating any change in the laws relating to the transmission of land. This was followed up by several articles on the same side. It appears to be thought by other critics that it was very injudicious to raise the discussion at such a time. This argument is not likely to have much weight with those who condemn primogeniture. In these days it is of little use to say, "Let us poke this question away in the corner so that no one will see it." People see everything now. Nor when they hear of fortunes of £300,000 a year accumulated in the hands of one man can they fail to believe that the law of primogeniture may promote family pride and the welfare of the few, but that it is adverse to the interests of the general community.

CHRISTMAS ENTERTAINMENTS.

The Christmas entertainments generally seem to be failures. The pantomimes are all very bad, except the one at Covent Garden, where the scenery is alone well worth a visit. The only pantomimists we have—the PAYNES, father and son—help to make fun, but the harlequinade is only one long and tedious sarcasm at the expense of the Police. The best pantomimist I have ever seen is Mr. Fox, of New-York, and neither of the PAYNES come within a long degree of his excellence.

A NEW BOOK.

Any of your readers who wish to obtain an idea of Ireland as it is, will do well to read a new work entitled "Realities of Irish Life." It is by Mr. TAYSON, agent to some of the principal Irish landowners, and a man who writes without an atom of political bias or prejudice. The book is as interesting as a novel, and contains most suggestive information concerning the past and the present of Ireland. L.

SOUTH CAROLINA.

The Legislature—Popular and Unpopular Legislation—A Newspaper Reporter Expelled from the House—Manufactures.

From Our Own Correspondent.

COLUMBIA, S. C., Saturday, Jan. 16, 1869.

The Legislature still sits in active session, but the results of its work are very unequal—sometimes rapid, and again prolix, tortuous and crab-like. Once in a while they find the Constitution of the State in their way; and they get a bill almost to the maturity of an act, when it suddenly transpires that the action in the case is barred by the Constitution. But, taken for all in all—considering, that is to say, the very large proportion of ignorance and prejudice existing in the body—the Legislature has hardly done as badly as was expected of it. It is not, however, intended to be intimated or stated that it has not done very badly in many respects. In the miscellany thrown out by this body there is some degree of homogeneousness. Still it will be fair to recognize the general division of popular and unpopular legislation—popular or unpopular, that is to say, among the white population of the State.

POPULAR LEGISLATION.

In this category may be mentioned State patronage of internal improvements, such as of the Blue Ridge Railroad, the Columbia Canal, and similar works. It is held that the course adopted in such cases is expensive to the State, and in that view, liable to some opposition; but in the present lavish expenditure of the public funds, it is thought better to spend upon such works, then upon the personal and trivial pretexts sometimes adopted. That is to say, our people look upon the liberal encouragements of material enterprises as probably the best form in which lavish expenditures can be made; and, since such expenditures are inevitable, they squeeze in them, as the less of evil evils. The same may be said of the extensive and expensive schemes of popular education—very desirable things, but gotten up in a style of expense beyond the honest means of the State in her present impoverished condition.

UNPOPULAR LEGISLATION.

Among the unpopular measures now before the General Assembly, and not yet completed, the most unpopular, because the most unreasonable, is WHITEN's bill to empower the Attorney-General of the State to change the venue in State cases before the Courts. That which renders this specially offensive is the animus and special design with which it is brought forward. The facts are these: A Senator (HARDOLPH, a negro,) was assassinated last Summer. Col. AIKEN, a white man, is charged with being accessory to the murder, and he is a Democrat, resident in Abbeville County. The present law requires that AIKEN be tried in the county—Abbeville—in which the murder was committed. This is the law, I believe, that prevails all over the Union. WHITEN's bill, as it transpires pending the discussions, is intended to enable the Attorney-General, a Radical, to transfer the venue in AIKEN's case from Abbeville, where the crime was committed, and where the population is about half white and half black, to Beaufort County, where the population is nine-tenths black, and where the Solicitor or State's Attorney, is a Radical. The popular feel that, under the circumstances, the result of such a trial would be conviction of the accused, without the reference to the facts of the case. It is unnecessary to say that for this feeling there is the very best of reasons.

In the same spirit of party retaliation are the resolutions paying to the widows of Representatives DIXIE and MARTIN, and of Senator RANDOLPH—Radicals, who were murdered last year—the mileage and per diem pay as Legislators until successors were sworn in their places.

Another touch of vindictive legislation is the bill of SAMPSON (assisting to provide for the erection of a monument to the memory of Senator RAMPOLPH, (Radical,) who was murdered by political opponents. To erect a monument to such a man would do little credit even to his own party; and the State at large would feel it an intended insult. But it is not at all likely that so unpopular bill go beyond the House, for the Senate does not consist of negroes to the same extent as the House.

These measures, added to the Militia bill mentioned in a recent letter, are making the General Assembly less popular among the whites of the State than it was a month ago.

A NEWSPAPER REPORTER EXPELLED.

In the House the Charleston *Courier* has been hitherto represented by a regular reporter, who was entitled to a seat on the floor by resolution of the House. A few days ago this reporter took occasion to explain the personal reasons that actuated one of the negro members, in his hostility to one of our State institutions—giving the explanation, which is understood to be the true one. Yesterday this negro member carried through the House a resolution withdrawing from the reporter of the *Courier* the privilege of the hall.

MANUFACTURES.

The success of manufactures of cotton in the South is not a mere probability. Besides the Augusta Mills, which were mentioned a week or two ago, there is now in successful operation, within two miles of this city, the Salude Factory, owned and run by Messrs. JOHNSON & PALMER, which numbers about 4,500 spindles. So that Senator SPRAGUE's investments in that line need not be regarded as adventures at all. BOZE.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR.

How Much will the Coming Man Weigh?

To the Editor of the New-York Times:

IN DR. PARKER's lecture to young men on errors in diet, as reported in your paper, I find the following assertion, or string of assertions:

"The physiological man, in a perfect state, should weigh one hundred and forty pounds, and requires for sustenance, in that state, sixteen ounces of meat nineteen ounces of bread, three of butter or cheese, and three pints of water in the twenty-four hours."

This is a specimen of the progressive standard which dietarians and would-be reformers are in the habit of setting up. But surely there is something wanting here. Either the doctor must have forgotten, or your reporter omitted, the stature of the "perfect physiological" man. For it would be manifestly absurd to maintain that the weight of two men, one five feet and a half in height and the other six feet, should be the same. According to English standards the height of the perfect Pelasgian man, weighing 140 pounds, should be about five feet eight inches and three-quarters. But such generalizations are rash and mischievous; they attempt to reduce man to a standard which we cannot apply to the inferior animals, whose conditions of life are so much more within our control. Fancy laying down positively (I was going to say dogmatically) the weight of a perfect dog. Nothing is more ridiculed by the best equestrian authorities than the habit of some of our farmers and dealers who advertise the weight of horses which they have for sale, as if it were any criterion of their value. But even if we admit a normal standard of weight, it seems to me certain that the doctor has put it too low by at least fifteen pounds. Being myself a light-weight, (just three pounds short of the doctor's standard,) and having probably owed my life, on two occasions, to this fact, such prudiness as I have are not against light-weights; but a tolerably extensive observation showed me years ago that those of my contemporaries who possessed the greatest capacity for the proper combination of mental and physical work were heavier men than myself. And I am sure that if the doctor takes the leading men of the world, in all countries, at the present day, he will find their average weights to exceed considerably his standard of 140 pounds. This light man may be handsome, active and brilliant, but they are usually deficient in vitality and solid thought. One of two things generally happens to them—either they wear out prematurely or they become valetudinarians and sedentary livers. Now, this is an important point, because there is a strong tendency among our young men (whether their means and opportunities permit them to take much open air exercise or not) to train too fine. Their ideal seems to be that of the novelist's backwoodsman, "not an ounce of superfluous flesh." Nor is this error confined to our sex.

—I am glad to see the doctor candid enough to own that he nearly preached himself into vegetarianism. But the vegetarian mania is pretty well played out, and it requires little courage to kick a dead donkey; whereas the equestrian hobby is terribly rampant, and few man desiring popularity have the pluck to oppose it. I throw out this hint in anticipation of the doctor's next lecture.

CARL BENSON.

The Political Condition of Hayti—President Salnave and His Policy.

To the Editor of the New-York Times:

In your issue of the 11th inst. allusion is made to Hayti and its President, SALNAVE. The writer represents SALNAVE as a most efficient and able ruler, and commends him highly in other respects. If any reliance is to be placed on the statements of the best and wisest Haytians, or if any reference is had to the facts and results of SALNAVE's Administration, it will be seen that Hayti never suffered more severely from the violence and miseries of any of her Presidents, than from the cruelty, ambition and wickedness of this same President SALNAVE.

This man obtained his office by mob law; he had in no sense the consent of the people, the great majority of whom immediately flew to arms to put down his despotism and barbarism, and long ere this the monster (for such he is called by men who have been impartial spectators of his business) would have been pur down but for the moral support of the United States and its Minister in Hayti, who has, under this influence, been able, by robbing his people of their coins, to furnish himself with two steamers, by means of which he has kept himself in power. The currency of the island has been reduced to the value of three-quarters of a cent for the Haytian dollar, and its business, of vast importance to the United States, has been nearly ruined.

In a letter from an English gentleman at Cape Hayti, we learn that he attempted to assume the functions of Dictator, which he did so far as his military power extended; and even in Port-au-Prince, Cape Hayti and Gonaives, we are assured that seven-eighths of the people are only held in subjugation by the military power, which he holds by offering the pillage of the towns to his mob adherents, who are thieves and murderers.

The United States have committed a crime against Hayti of the most serious character, and in so doing have excited the intense indignation of the people of Hayti, who in their attempts to redress their wrongs, have been so successfully thwarted by the influence of our Government. The Piquets, so called, are the allies of SALNAVE, and these are mountaineers in the neighborhood of Jacmel, whose thirst for plunder has been excited and gratified by SALNAVE as far as possible; but the farmers of the inferior, and all who have anything to take, are in deadly hostility to SALNAVE, and it is one of those conflicts which can only end in the destruction of the tyrant or of the liberties of Hayti.

It is difficult to account for the part taken by the United States in these matters. Mr. SEWARD must be acting under some unseen influence, which in Hayti is supposed to be the purchase of the Mole as a naval station, and which the people of Hayti will never sell, except under compulsion. It may be, however, that Mr. SEWARD may be acting under the false representations of interested parties, who one profit is promoted by political strife, but nothing is more certain than that Hayti stands in a false position before the Government of the United States, and is suffering immense evils from the guest support it gives to the usurpation of SALNAVE.

It is well known that Gens. NISSAGE, SAINT and FAUSSIN are among the best beloved of the patriots of Hayti, and now lead their armies against SALNAVE.

The Virginia Committee's Interview with Gen. Grant.

The Washington correspondent of the Richmond *Whig*, in a letter dated Jan. 18, gives the following account of the Virginia Conservative Committee's interview with Gen. GRANT:

The Committee, accompanied by several other gentlemen from Virginia, made a social visit to Gen. GRANT this morning, also visiting President JOHNSON and Gen. SCHOFIELD. Their conversation with Gen. GRANT related principally to the Virginia movement, and his remarks on the subject were in the highest degree encouraging. He seemed to desire no secrecy in his views, but spoke out with perfect openness and freedom. Nothing of confidence is violated when I say that he "sincerely hoped this whole subject would soon be settled." He has evidently studied our Virginia affairs, and fully understands the Underwood Constitution. He expresses himself as being warmly in favor of striking out the disfranchising clauses of that instrument. The homestead clause and the provisions relating to county organization, which last he seems to regard as more objectionable even than the test. He said that if permitted to stand as a part of the Constitution, they would necessitate the election of negro judges, sheriffs, magistrates, clerks, commonwealth's attorneys, constables, &c., &c., and that the condition of affairs would be so intolerable that in those localities where there is a preponderance of blacks, the whites would be compelled to remove and seek homes in other portions of the State. He expressed the wish that the proposed arrangement may be speedily carried out, and indicated his confidence in such a result.

The conversation with President JOHNSON was more general, bearing but slightly on the subject above referred to. He thanked the Committee for calling, and talked pleasantly. Gen. SCHOFIELD's views are so well understood that it is needless to refer particularly to them.

Heavy Verdicts Against New-Orleans Railroad Companies.

From the New-Orleans Bee, Jan. 18.

In the Sixth District Court, Wednesday night, the jury in the case of MRS. MARY E. HOWELL, suing the Company for $25,000 damages for injuries to her person, resulting, it was alleged, from the criminal carelessness of the driver of one of their cars on the 23 of December, 1867, gave a verdict against the Company and in favor of the plaintiff for $4,000. Mrs. HOWELL was over 63 years of age at the time, and was just getting out of the car, it appears, when the driver started without giving her sufficient time, causing her to fall and cripple her for life.

The jury in the case of SCHREIBERER, for himself and son, vs. the Carrollton Railroad Company, claiming $20,000 damages on account of the son, (about 10 years old, being run over by the locomotive attached to the cars of the Company, about two years ago, and so badly injured that his leg had to be amputated, yesterday returned a verdict against the Company for $7,500 for the son and $2,500 for the father.

Injury to the Orange Crop in Florida.

From the Hartford (Conn.) Courant, Jan. 21.

DAVID CLARK, Esq., of this city, has received letters from Florida which bring the unwelcome information that the orange crop in that State was entirely destroyed by a severe frost which swept over the State on Christmas night, though the trees are reported uninjured. One letter comes from Jacksonville, and the other from Key West. Such severe weather was never before known in that quarter. The St. John's River was frozen over for a distance of seventy feet from the shore, this being the first time that ice has been seen in the river. The damage, estimated by Mr. CLARK, is very great, and can hardly be computed. Mr. CLARK, who is generally known here, is an owner of a very large number of trees—several thousands, we believe—and this disappointment to him, saying nothing of the loss, is, of course, very great.

Internal Revenue—Six Months' Receipts of Brooklyn Railroads, Ferries and Theatres.

The returns of the gross receipts of the various railroad companies, ferry companies and theatres for the past six months in the Second and Third Collection Districts of Brooklyn, have been furnished by the Assessors, and are given below:

RAILROAD COMPANIES.

Atlantic-avenue and East New-York Railroad—July, $19,960. No further returns.

Brooklyn City Railroad Company—July, $107,740; August, $104,584; September, $108,800; October, $109,363; November, $100,125; December, $97,088.

Broadway Railroad Company—July, $11,812; August, $12,617; September, $11,120; October, $10,811; November, $8,306; December, $6,621.

Grand-street and Newtown Railroad Company—July, $6,466; August, $7,453; September, $7,099; October, $6,885; November, $6,111; December, $6,509.

Atlantic-avenue Railroad Company—July, $18,465; August, $20,000; September, $19,655; October, $18,605; November, $16,873; December, $15,970.

Brooklyn, Bath and Coney Island Railroad Company—July, $8,122 96; August, $2,067; September, $3,722; October, $1,223; November, $678; December, $607.

Brooklyn and Rockaway Beach Railroad Company—July, $3,573; August, $4,165; September, $1,904; October and November, $1,190; no return yet for December.

Brooklyn City and Newtown Railroad Company—July, $14,015; August, $13,698; September, $11,449; October, $10,790; November, $9,872; December, $9,463.

Bushwick and Bergen-street Railroad—July and November, $10,400; December, $1,130.

Metropolitan Railroad Company—July, $3,097; August, [illegible]; September, $2,767; October, $2,600; November, $2,[illegible]; December, $1,755.

Greenpoint Railroad and Erie Basin Railroad Company—July, $3,676; August, $3,[illegible]; September, $1,[illegible]; October, $1,[illegible]; November, $1,463; December, $1,[illegible].

Hudson-avenue Railroad Company—July, $19,024; August, $18,025; September, $13,973; October, $[illegible]; November, $7,922; December, $7,322.

Hudson-avenue Railroad Company—July, $719; August, $963; September, $964; October, $446.

FERRY COMPANIES.

East River Ferry Company—July, $739 70; August, $637; September, $471 60; October, $263; November, $[illegible]; December, $[illegible].

Greenpoint Ferry Company—July, $12,868; August, $12,070; September, $11,808; October, $12,868; November, $11,829; December, $10,097.

Union Ferry Company—July, $80,084; August, $87,987; September, $90,558; October, $86,016; November, $76,736; December, $73,088.

Houston-street Ferry Company—July, $10,825; August, $11,332; September, $11,083; October, $11,200; November, $10,260; December, $9,475.

PLACES OF AMUSEMENT.

Academy of Music—OLE BULL, $1,071; E. F. GIRARDY, four performances, $3,478; $1,257; $4,034; $444; HANDY SARAGOSSEN, ($814). Stockings Opera House, $752.

Athenæum—E. G. KELLOGG, $2,197.

New-York Theatre—July, $3811; August, shut up; September, $4,798; October, $6,018; November, $4,473; December, $8,128.

Hooley's Minstrels—July, $4,300; August, $4,377; September, $4,219; October, $6,888; November, $3,[illegible]; December, $4,[illegible].

Hooley's Minstrels, E. D.—October, $2,197; November, $2,971; December, $1,[illegible].

CITY TITLES.

Fire Marshal Brackett's Report of the Origin of Fires in New-York Since Dec. 5.

The following is the report of Fire Marshal BRACKETT, of conflagrations in this City since the 5th ult:

Dec. 6, 1:00 A. M.—No. 282 Delancey-street.—Fire was discovered on first floor, in apartments of Mrs. MCCOWEN, resulting in the death of herself and another woman (her sister) residing with her. The cause of the fire could not be positively ascertained. The parties worked at preparing rag carpets, and it is supposed the rags, of which there was a large quantity in the room, were accidentally set on fire.

Dec. 6, 5 P. M.—No. 505 Fifth-street.—Fire was discovered in dry-goods store of JOSEPH FLAMMER, caused by goods in show window taking fire from a gas-burner.

Dec. 6, 7:45 P. M.—No. 474½ Broadway.—Fire was discovered on second floor, in hall-way beneath the stairs. Extinguished with slight damage. There are some suspicious circumstances connected with this fire, one of which is that all mercantile offices, but no evidence has thus far been obtained which would warrant the arrest of any party.

Dec. 10, 5 P. M.—No. 5 Jackson-street.—Fire discovered in basement, caused by carelessness of a boy in dropping a lighted match in some straw. Extinguished with slight damage.

Dec. 14, 8:30 P. M.—Nos. 229 and 231 Cherry-street.—Fire was discovered on second floor in a kindling-wood factory, caused by the imperfect arrangement of the smoke pipe, from which fire was communicated to the roof.

Dec. 15, 1:30 A. M.—No. 680 West Eleventh-street.—Fire was discovered in basement, caused by chair containing clothes being accidentally upset against the stove.

Dec. 15, 7 P. M.—No. 24 Barclay-street.—Fire was discovered on fifth floor, rear room, in premises used for lithographic purposes; caused by the accidental breaking of a cord upon which was hung a quantity of paper; these falling upon the stove took fire.

Dec. 26, 12:30 P. M.—No. 560 Broadway.—Fire was discovered on fourth floor in a manufactory of waterfalls; originated in a quantity of jute hemp lying on the floor near the stove. Some fifteen girls were employed in the room at the time, but none of them can give a satisfactory account of the fire. Supposed to have been caused by sparks from the stove.

Dec. 17, 5:24 A. M.—No. 220 Mott-street.—Fire discovered on second floor in room of MARY MULLEN, who was washing until 3 A. M., and had a very hot fire in her stove. Supposed fire.

Dec. 18, 12:30 A. M.—No. 147 Stanton-street.—Fire was discovered on first floor in apartments used as a cigar manufactory. Cause of fire not ascertained. Proprietor sick at home. Fire originated in a barrel of stripped tobacco.

Dec. 18, 4 P. M.—Nos. 715 and 717 East Eleventh-street.—This place has been mentioned since former fire, Nov. 4. Some workmen who were employed in removing machinery, &c., had made a sort of shed in one corner of the building, using a stove with the pipe projecting through the partition, but not entering a chimney. It was in this building that the first fire in Nov. 4 was supposed but a short time before the discovery of the fact that the building was on fire, and from this stove the fire was probably communicated to the partition through which the pipe projected.

Dec. 18, 6:45 P. M.—No. 69 Forsyth-street.—Fire was discovered in apartments of Mrs. SPIRER during her absence. Mrs. SPIRER had left a light in her bedroom, just before leaving, in such a careless manner as to set fire to the bedding.

Dec. 10, 4:30 P. M.—No. 21 Howard-street.—Fire was discovered in workshop of JNO. STADERMAN & Co., caused by carelessness of one of the employes in dropping a lighted match in some tow.

Dec. 19, 6:30 P. M.—No. 365 Eighth-avenue.—Fire was discovered in dry goods store of MOSES FRANK, caused by the goods on the upper shelves being placed too near to stove pipe.

Dec. 21, 2 A. M.—No. 156 Grand-street.—Fire discovered in oyster saloon, in basement. It appeared to be of accidental origin, but owing to certain statements been made, a reexamination was had, but no evidence adduced to warrant the conclusion that the fire was other than accidental.

Dec. 22, 10:35 P. M.—No. 59 Dey-street.—Fire was discovered in the cigar-case factory of H. A. DICKINSON & Co., caused by the carelessness of some of the employes in smoking on the premises, contrary to the rules.

Dec. 23, 12:30 A. M.—No. 127 West Houston-street.—Fire discovered in liquor store of C. S. WILLIAMS. An examination shows the fire to have been of accidental origin, but the process cause could not be ascertained.

Dec. 23, 9:45 P. M.—No. 83 South-street.—Fire was discovered in sailors' furnishing store of P. MAHON. This fire was of accidental origin, and was evidently caused by the carelessness of MAHON and his clerk.

Dec. 26, 4:30 P. M.—No. 640 Sixth-street.—Fire was discovered in a sleeping-room on premises of L. COMEE, caused by the carelessness of some persons having been in the room.

Dec. 29, 4:40 P. M.—No. 47 Warren-street.—Fire was discovered on the third floor within a few moments after the departure of the occupants. After a long and careful examination of this case, I am unable to arrive at a specific cause of the fire. It was evidently owing to some carelessness or neglect on the part of the occupants.

Jan. 6, 5 P. M.—No. 119 Mercer-street.—Fire was discovered in sub-cellar of above premises. An examination showed it to have been caused by an improperly closed flue.

Jan. 8, 6:15 P. M.—No. 423 Broome-street.—Fire discovered in basement unoccupied for business, but much frequented by occupants of the building outside, on account of the water-closet being there located. A quantity of waste paper was lying about on the floor, and the doors were not fastened. I am unable to say from the evidence adduced whether the fire was the result of carelessness on the part of the persons mentioned or of incendiary origin.

Jan. 17, 1:10 A. M.—No. 513 East Fifteenth-street.—Fire was discovered on first floor, in premises of JNO. MCCALLE, who was absent from home at the time. It was discovered by Mrs. MCCALLE, and was burning in two separate rooms of the building. There is no doubt of the incendiary character of this fire, but thus far, no clue has been obtained to the perpetrator of the crime. The neighborhood is infested by a gang of disorderly characters.

Jan. 9, 6 P. M.—No. 453 Water-street.—Fire was discovered just after the shop was closed, in close proximity to the boilers. The ceiling was very near the boilers, which being overheated, caused the woodwork to ignite.

Jan. 18, 10:30 P. M.—No. 394 Canal-street.—Fire was discovered on upper floor by Officer BLAKEY. The precise cause of this fire has not been ascertained, but it was evidently the result of carelessness or negligence on the part of the occupants.

Jan. 14, 1:30 A. M.—No. 23 Bedford-street.—Fire was discovered in the brierwood pipe factory of JNO. J. MURPHEY; extinguished with slight damage; caused by the careless use of candles by the workmen.

Jan. 16, 8 P. M.—Fire was discovered in cabinet shop of MARTIN GARSON, No. 129 West Forty-ninth-street, and was carried out by Officer McCOSKER, inspector of arson, but subsequently discharged by Judge KELLY, there being no evidence against him. The fire originating among some shavings, was extinguished by a few pails of water.

Jan. 17, 7 P. M.—No. 146 East Eighteenth-street.—A slight fire was caused here by the upsetting of a kerosene lamp, which set fire to the bed; loss about $200.

Jan. 17, 6:55 A. M.—Nos. 121 and 123 Christie-street.—Fire was discovered in a manufactory of water-wood pipes; cause not positively ascertained; supposed to have originated from overheating of machinery.

Jan. 17, 6:30 P. M.—No. 131 Walker-street.—Fire was discovered in a part of the premises occupied as a carpenter shop; supposed to be an incendiary fire, as several attempts have been made to set fire to the place within a few months past; have not yet obtained any evidence to warrant an arrest.

Jan. 18, 9:15 A.M.—No. 549 Sixth-avenue.—Fire was discovered in a restaurant of above number, caused by an improper flue; extinguished with slight damage.

Strike of Clothing Cutters.

Another labor strike seems probable. It is that of the clothing cutters, whose wages at present are $3.50 a day. They desire $4. The Clothing Cutters' Protective Association have met at their rooms, No. 10 Stanton-street, and decided that unless the desired increase is complied with a strike will be resorted to. The Society now numbers 600 members, who form two-thirds of the cutters in this City.

Board of Health.

The Board of Health met yesterday morning, in special session, but there being no quorum present, adjourned until Monday next, at 1 o'clock.

A few mistakes were made yesterday by the Press in the names of Assistant Sanitary Inspectors elected on Thursday. W. S. WESTCOTT should read N. S. WESTCOTT, and S. H. LEITH, GEORGE S. SMITH. The name of Mr. LEONY STEVENS should have been omitted.

[illegible] Dec. The names of JOHN BROWN and [illegible] HOWSON, suggested as Registry Clerk and [illegible] Registry Clerk, should read JOHN DOWNS and WILLIAM OSBORNE.

Commissioners of Emigration.

The regular semi-monthly meeting of the Commissioners of Emigration was held at the New-York Society Library on Wednesday evening, the President, GULIAN C. VERPLANCK, and Messrs. WINSTON, LOUGHEE, BISHINGER, O'GORMAN and KAPP being present.

After the auditing of the bills and reading of the minutes, Mr. O'GORMAN said he desired to call the attention of the Board to the published proceedings of the Commissioners of Public Charities and Correction, in relation to the settlement of the disputed claims, which had been referred to a special committee consisting of Mr. BISHINGER and himself, and which they had thought had been amicably settled, until he read the proceedings of the action taken at the meeting referred to. In justice to himself and his associate, as well as the Board, he would offer the following preamble and resolution, which were on motion unanimously adopted:

Whereas, It appears from the minute papers of the Board, that the Commissioners of Public Charities and Correction, at a meeting held on the 7th inst., passed a resolution to the effect that "it was the opinion that Board and the Commissioners of Emigration, wherein they allege the "legal liability of the members of the Commissioners of Emigration to recover, by process of law, the sums that may be justly due to them," and that "the amount claimed be accepted;" and

Whereas, The Commissioners of Public Charities and Correction, in the name of the adjustment of such claims, knew that, in accordance with the opinion of CHARLES O'CONOR, Esq., of whom they had previously asked an opinion, the Commissioners of Emigration could only reimburse the Commissioners of Public Charities and Correction the actual cost or expense incurred in the support of emigrants, and that the Commissioners of Emigration were not at liberty to pay interest on the amount of the claim as claimed by the Commissioners; and

Whereas, At a meeting of the Finance Committee of the two Boards, held at No. 1 Bond-street, the Commissioners of Public Charities and Correction could not comply with the request made to furnish a statement of the actual cost of maintenance of lunatic emigrants, alleging that there were no books or vouchers during the period for which the claim was made, and consequently they could not comply with the law which directs the Commissioners of Emigration to reimburse with the following claims: for maintenance in the Workhouse, $18,000; in Bellevue Hospital, $400; and in the Lunatic Asylum, $8,121 17; a total sum of $26,521 17, being the identical sum claimed by the Commissioners of Public Charities and Correction, and the difference in the charge per week for lunatics, as stated, was paid to the Commissioners of Public Charities and Correction, and accepted by them on the first ult.; therefore

Resolved, That the Commissioners of Emigration view with surprise the action of the Commissioners of Public Charities and Correction in the resolution passed at their meeting of the 7th inst., in failing to give a fair impression of the nature of the transactions between them and the Commissioners of Emigration, and in omission to present two coordinate Boards, which the public service requires.

The Chairman of the Ward's Island Committee stated in reference to the reported riot at Ward's Island, referred to in one of the morning papers, that it was an error arising from a disagreement between two of the inmates, which was settled with difficulty, and that in order to prevent any trouble a detail of two officers had been applied for and granted by the Police Commissioners, and were now on duty on the Island.

After some other routine business the Board, on motion, adjourned.

An Invalid Poisoned Through Mistake.

Coroner FLYNN held an inquest yesterday at No. 47 West Twenty-ninth-street over the remains of Mrs. HARRIET PERRY, a widow, aged 55, and a native of New-Hampshire, whose death was the result of poison administered through mistake. It appears that the deceased had had as her medical attendant one Dr. EDWARD H. M. SELZ, who resides in the same house. She had been unwell for the past four weeks, but latterly felt much better. On Tuesday last Dr. SELZ, who was assisted by Dr. JOHN MESSMORE, residing in Twenty-eighth-street, gave the deceased four powders, which he testified contained one grain of calomelum each, and that he gave the most explicit instructions that one should be taken each night. The next morning the sister of the deceased, Mrs. SARAH TUCKER, told Dr. SELZ that the patient had complained of double vision, and thought it probable that the second dose was taken that morning and have produced the effect. On inquiry the physician ascertained that a Mrs. WEBB had said that the directions were to give a second powder the morning after the first dose. Both Dr. SELZ and Mrs. WEBB denied having given these directions. Dr. SELZ and Dr. MESSMORE were called an hour after the powder had been taken, and found the deceased in a sinking condition. They used stimulants, artificial resuscitation and a galvanic battery, when she rallied a little, the breathing was easier and consciousness partially restored. After a short time she relapsed suddenly and expired in an hour. The jury, who were all medical men, rendered a verdict that "death had been caused by phthisis pulmonalis, accelerated by a dose of calomelum ingested by Mrs. WEBB's directions, contrary to the directions given by Dr. SELZ." No mention was made of any censure of any one connected with the case. The inquest was adjourned at request of Dr. HAM

and render an imperial verdict between the United States and the prisoners at the bar.

The jury retired at 12:45 P. M.

THE VERDICT.

At 5:30 o'clock the jury announced that they had agreed, and the Judge shortly afterward arrived, but owing to some mistake, the counsel for the defendants did not arrive till 5:40 o'clock. The jury then came into Court, having been called, were asked if they had agreed, and the foreman replied in the affirmative and read the verdict, as follows:

"We find the defendants, Alvah Blaisdell and John J. Sebel, guilty of all the charges in the indictment, except those referring to the rectifier's book. We find John McKeren guilty of adding and abetting in the illicit removal of spirits during the last run of the distillery, but strongly recommend him to the mercy of the Court."

Counsel for defendants asked that the jury be polled, which was done, and they severally gave their verdicts as above.

The Court then discharged the jurors for the term, with thanks for their patient and faithful attention to their duties.

Counsel for the defendants desired to know when the District-Attorney would move for sentence, as the defendants would like to have an opportunity to prepare for such a course as they might deem advisable. It was finally arranged that the time of sentence should be fixed by the Court this morning.

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT—EASTERN DISTRICT.

Before Justice Busteed.

THE ROSSVALLIER CASE.

The argument on the motion to arrest judgment in the case of Moritz Rossvallier, convicted at the last term of the Court for engraving a counterfeit plate for United States notes, which was to have been heard yesterday, was postponed for a week.

IN ADMIRALTY.

The arguments on the petition of Nicholas Thompson, for the distribution of salvage in the case of John E. Miller vs. the schooner *Edward Lee*, were heard yesterday, and the Court took the papers and reserved decision.

SUPREME COURT—CHAMBERS—JAN. 22.

Before Judge Ingraham.

THE NEW-YORK CENTRAL RAILROAD INJUNCTION.—*Jenkins vs. New-York Central Railroad Company.*—At noon yesterday Sidney T. Fairchild, Esq., resumed his argument on behalf of the Company:

On yesterday, he said, I think I had shown conclusively that the Company had power to issue these convertible bonds. I do not, however, rely solely on this power, but claim also that the plaintiff in his own position is estopped to maintain this action. The validity of the interest certificates he held to be unquestionably valid. The plaintiff had seemed to intimate that because this action of the directors took place on Saturday night it was therefore necessarily illegal. But it was not fair for him to waste time in arguing against this proposition. The notice required by law had substantially and in legal effect been complied with. The testimony of Mr. Vanderbilt produced on behalf of plaintiff shows that Joy was fully advised of the action to be taken and of the meeting to be called for that purpose; that he approved of it, and told them to go ahead. Chapin, another director claimed as not having had legal notice, was one of the directors who devised the measure and gave to it his full concurrence. The other whose absence in Europe prevented a notice, has found no fault with the acts of his co-directors. Such was all over directors because the President of a corporation happens to be beyond practical co-operation that therefore the whole machinery of the corporation shall stand still or its acts be deemed illegal and fraudulent in his absence?—and plaintiff has no right to come into Court and complain of the acts of the Board because one of them had not been notified, in the mode of which acts he has participated. The statute of 1848, quoted by plaintiff's counsel, prohibiting the borrowing of money by a railroad company, was only to prohibit the borrowing of money in excess of its available securities; but admitting it to be still in force, it made every one of the directors who participating in this transaction, according to the interpretation of its character by plaintiff, liable individually for the amount so issued, and subjected them also to criminal prosecution for a misdemeanor. Surely in these the plaintiff had remedies both abundant and simple. The law under which the Company acted was passed three years subsequently, and hence the prior law, if it had any legal force remaining, had none applicable to this case. Mr. Fairchild further contended on this point that the certificates are not a debt as contemplated by the law of 1848, on which the Company could be sued, but are payable at its pleasure and out of its future earnings.

In reply to plaintiff's point that, if valid, they are nevertheless fraudulent, he said, if fraudulent, who is defrauded thereby? Not the plaintiff, for if, as they claim, Mr. Vanderbilt increased his property by the rise of over twelve millions, he had, right, he, plaintiff, proportionately increased his by the same means, but it was not true that Mr. Vanderbilt had purchased largely shortly before the 19th of December, or true that he held a single share of stock on the night when these certificates were issued, that he did not hold since the obtaining control of the road, a year previous. Counsel then eulogized the course of Mr. Vanderbilt in connection with the Hudson River, Harlem and Central Roads. While increasing the efficiency of both the former roads, he advanced the market value of their stock, from thirty and six months respectively, above par, and in the management of the Central Road, he equally successful. Had he chosen to manage that road corruptly, and for his own benefit, he would have so managed it as to depreciate the stock, and compel outside stockholders to sell out in disgust, thereby enabling him to possess himself at the entire property of the road "at a mere fraction of its real value. The management of all of these has been in favorable contrast with that which preceded him, entitling him to credit and not censure. Will the Court render a judgment on a mere Wall-street rumor prohibiting the conversion of the $195,000 of those convertible bonds, still out, without bringing the holders into Court, without their consent and contrary to their rights? Should it be the Court select out those bonds which, for fifteen years, have been circulating in the market? Full publication of the resolution authorizing the issue of these certificates was given in the leading journals of this City, together with notice of their delivery at the office of the Union Trust Company of this City, and though such fact had been brought to plaintiff's knowledge, he stands by and takes no action until the 5th of January, when almost all of the certificates were issued, his own included, as they had reason to believe. In conclusion, Mr. Fairchild stated that the books of the Company had now been closed nearly two months, the consequence of which is that nearly all the assets of the Company to offset the issue of it is important that the holders have an opportunity to convert in order to prepare for the payment of the Company's dividends; the rights of holders of $7,000,000 of these convertible bonds, together with all other stockholders, are prejudiced and impeded by the action of the plaintiff, who has no standing in Court recognizable by the laws, proprietor or fiduciary, and asks, therefore, a speedy decision dissolving the injunction—a decision welcome to all, except some speculator, who may be short of the Company's stock and interested in putting it down.

Mr. Field followed in a very brief argument, made so, he said, by reason of the fullness with which his associate, Mr. Vanderpool, had stated the points on which they relied. These points were that the increase of stock was unauthorized by law, and that the issue of the interest certificates was void and fraudulent. He said the defendant's whole argument seemed to rest on what he supposed to be a decision by Justice Sutherland; but in this case a decision had not been reached, the proceeding having been discontinued, and he was glad, therefore, that a decision was now about to be obtained. He then went on to argue as to the illegality of the interest certificates, and which, if legal, are fraudulent, taking ground substantially the same as that contended for by Mr. Vanderpool the day previous. That the notice was insufficient; that a director cannot give his consent in advance to any action of the Board, but must be present and participate in those acts; that the certificates do constitute a debt against the Company, they can be transferred, and that they can be brought for dividend; on the other hand, if it be a dividend, it cannot be declared except out of surplus profits; and in estimating the surplus profits of the road, improvements such as those in which this money is claimed to have been expended, cannot be counted. The defendants have failed to furnish the statement of the affairs of the road on which they based the issue of these certificates, and, according to the official annual reports, no such surplus earnings could have existed. He concluded by saying that the fact that plaintiff refused to participate in a wrong, though one of the parties to be benefited by it, commended him to the Court, and he was glad that a decision on this subject was about to be delivered by one of our oldest Judges, whose judgment would be accepted as a guide to all; and decision in intended able stock would await with impatience adoption which will say that such corrupt and fraudulent transactions shall not be permitted—transactions as illegal as they are immoral, and immoral as illegal.

At the conclusion of Mr. Fields' argument His Honor Judge Ingraham took the papers and reserved his decision.

MATTER OF THE PETITION OF JOHN DUNCAN, THE CORNER OF A CHILD, *Jas vs. Daniel McCarty vs. the Commissioners of Charities and Correction.*—Daniel McCarty filed an writ of habeas corpus against the Commissioners of Charities for the custody of his daughter Josephine, a minor of 9 years of age. In February, 1868, the father left his child to board with Mrs. White in this City, he at the time going to Charleston, S. C. Some months afterward Mrs. White being about to leave New-York, carried the children to the office of the Commissioners, they sent her to Randall's Island where she is still retained. In June, 1868, the father returned, and learning where the child was, applied for her custody. The officers required his $143 bill should be paid for the board before he could have his child. The father refused to comply and unwilling to comply with. After argument on both sides, the Judge entered the following decree: "The custody of the minor child is directed to be given to the father, Daniel McCarty, upon his paying the sum of $143 for the support of said child, to the Commissioners of Charities and Correction, and otherwise the writ is dismissed."

George W. Searle and George F. Howe for the petitioner; Messrs. Brown, Holt and Vanderpool for respondents.

SUPREME COURT—CIRCUIT—BROOKLYN.

before Judge Gilbert.

SUITS OF AN OLD REPUTATION.

Watson Sanford vs. John G. Barr, Samuel H. Kinsy, and James G. Harrison.—This is a suit brought by plaintiff to recover from the defendants the sum of $6,400, the sum of $2400 paid in defending a suit brought against him to enforce the collection of $2,000 in 1846 United States gold bearing bonds, as per an agreement, which had been given to Kinsy, and now held by Harrison, and $2,000 damages. It appears that in 1866 the plaintiff was interested in sinking wells and in operating the same for the purpose of obtaining oil in Complanter Township, Venango County, Penn., one E. T. Maddin being the Superintendent; that these operations were carried on upon lands leased by plaintiff from defendants, Barr and Kinsy; that the defendants represented to plaintiff that the well on the lands alleged to was producing and pumping oil, on an average from forty to fifty barrels of oil per day, and that Madden, the Superintendent, concealed from the plaintiff the true state of the well, and that on such representations plaintiff was induced to pay certain amounts, as already stated, and subsequently found the representations to be false. The defendants in a general denial, and claim that so far as any representations were made in the transaction, they were true, and any bargain made between them and plaintiff was valid. The defendants claim that the representation was that the well alluded so might be made to yield sixty barrels of oil per day. The case is still on.

DECISIONS.

SUPREME COURT—GENERAL TERM—JAN. 22.

Argued at the November Term, 1868, before Ingraham, Mullin and J. F. Barnard, J.J.

Samuel B. Campbell, Executor, &c., vs. The Cypress Hills Cemetery; judgment reversed and new trial ordered; costs to abide the event. Opinion by Barnard, J.; Mullin, J., dissenting.

Argued at the same Term, before Barnard, P. J., and Ingraham and Gardiner, J.J.

C. B. Lenat vs. Chas. A. Dana; order affirmed with $10 costs. Opinion by Barnard, P. J.

Coddington Billings vs. Benjamin F. Carver; order modified, as stated in the opinion to be settled by Judge Cardozo. Opinion by Cardozo, J.

Richard Roberts &c., vs. Aaron A. Fisher et al.; judgment affirmed with costs. Opinion by Barnard, P. J.

SUPREME COURT—CHAMBERS—JAN. 22.

By Judge Gardon.

In the matter of the petition of A. S. Jarvis to vacate assessment, &c.; prayer granted.

Marie Allen vs. George W. Allen; motion granted.

George Taylor vs. Rosalie Mesquinta et al.; motion denied without costs and without prejudice, &c.

Henry Shober vs. John Gunzer; motion granted.

The Providence Steam Engine Company vs. The South Windsor Manufacturing and Marine Railway Company; motion granted with costs.

Doolin vs. Reilly et al.; order settled.

UNITED STATES MARSHAL'S OFFICE.

Before Marshal Murray.

A RAID ON COUNTERFEITERS—CAPTURE OF COUNTERFEIT MONEY AND COUNTERFEITING DIES.

Several of the officers in the secret service of the United States Treasury Department, having reason to suppose that a den of counterfeiters existed on the premises occupied as a barber shop at No. 75 Cherry-street, a descent was made on the place at about 9 o'clock yesterday morning and a gang of seven counterfeiters arrested. These men are Italians and are a repulsive and forbidding-looking set. The names of three of these parties are withheld for the present for prudential reasons. The names of the others are Antonio Sacy, Antonio Denere Litero Maletti, and Rosario Denere. The descent was made by Deputy Marshals McCoy, Butts, and Thompson, who, in addition to their prisoners, found on the premises about $300 in counterfeit $5 greenbacks and $3 and $2 national currency notes, about $15 in counterfeit 25-cy-cent currency, and moulds for making counterfeit five cent coin, and a quantity of metal for metallic for such coin.

The prisoners were brought to the Marshal's office, and shortly afterward the four whose names are given were taken to Ludlow-street Jail.

After cleaning out the barber shop of counterfeiters, some officers and assistants returned there about 2 o'clock in the afternoon, and surprised and arrested one of the gang, named Jose Sanarella, who had come in after the officers had left in the morning, and had waited there, thinking they had gone out temporarily. He fought desperately before being secured, and slightly wounded one of the detectives.

ANOTHER RAID.

Yesterday morning Detective Joseph Gallard, of the Secret Service Department, under whose supervision all the above arrests were made, proceeded to the residence of Francois Stephano, *alias* The Cook, at No. 4 Birmingham-street, and arrested him and his wife. In their apartments were found about half a bushel of counterfeit five-cent coin and plaster-of-paris moulds for making the same. These parties were also taken to Ludlow-street Jail, in company with Sanarella, and all the prisoners will be brought before a United States Commissioner to answer the charges against them.

These arrests were made on information furnished by "Italian Joe," a notorious counterfeiter.

COURT OF GENERAL SESSIONS.

Before Judge Bedford.

There was one trial and six pleas disposed of in the Court yesterday. Seven sentences were pronounced. Several cases were postponed until next week.

The Judge, after congratulating the Grand Jury on their efficient performance of duties, discharged them for the term. They have attended to 197 complaints.

Among the indictments found was one for false pretences against James K. Place, and the other was a bill against Robert W. Hopson for the homicide of Henry C. Lyon. Before retiring, the Grand Jury made the following presentment, which was not read publicly:

The Grand Jury now in session would desire through this Judge, who represents the majesty of the legislature of the State, that by a recent change in the law the use of carrying loaded pistols is not interpreted as the carrying of concealed weapons. It has come to the knowledge of the Grand Jury that the use of fire arms is rife at large, and of the Police especially, are greatly endangered by this prevalent practice, and the case would be greatly obviated if the law again made it a penal offence to carry a loaded pistol concealed on the person, except by the authorized officers of justice.

SENTENCES FOR THEFTS.

Robert Conroy and Robert Mott, pleading guilty of burglary, were sentenced to two years and six months each in the State Prison.

Charles Palmer pleaded guilty to an attempt at larceny, and was sentenced to the State Prison for one year.

Alexander Campbell also pleaded guilty to attempt at grand larceny, and was sentenced to the Penitentiary for two years. His sentence was changed to the Penitentiary from the State Prison at the request of the complainant in the case.

David J. Cook arraigned for grand larceny, pleaded guilty and was sent to the State Prison for one year.

Charles Walker, a boy of 16, pleaded guilty to a charge of attempted larceny, and was sentenced to the Penitentiary one two years. After sentence the prisoner desired that he might be sent to the State Prison instead, saying that he didn't want to be among the company on the Island and wished to learn a trade, which he could do at the State Prison. The Judge declined to change the sentence, saying he would not brand any boy as a felon while there was a chance for his reformation.

BEFAL FOR SHOPLIFTING.

Charles Smith, *alias* Joseph Rothschild, accused of larceny, second offence, pleaded not guilty and received a trial. The prisoner was accused of being a professional shoplifter, and testimony was introduced to show that he had been sentenced to the State Prison for three years for shoplifting in October, 1862. Strong circumstantial evidence was brought up to prove the robbery (for which he was indicted) of a piece of lace, from Lord & Taylor's, in Grand-street, on the 14th inst., 1868. The prisoner was defended by Judge Stewart, who urged that his former crime should be no detriment to him in the minds of the jury, and that the guilt of the prisoner was not proven by the evidence. The Assistant District-Attorney, Robert C. Hutchings, Esq., argued that the antecedents and lack of testimony to establish his innocence, by proving how the stolen property came into the possession of the prisoner, was good evidence of his guilt. Judge Bedford charged the jury that they should not take into consideration the previous crime of the prisoner. He reviewed the testimony introduced, and charged the jury that in case of a reasonable doubt as to the weight of that testimony they should acquit the prisoner. After a short consultation the jury returned a verdict of "Guilty." The prisoner's counsel asked that sentence be suspended for a few days, but his request was denied, on motion of the Assistant District-Attorney, who stated that the prisoner having had the benefit of a fair trial should receive the penalty of the law. The Judge then pronounced sentence of imprisonment in the State Prison for five years.

The Court adjourned until 11 o'clock Monday morning.

CITY COURT, BROOKLYN.

The order of business in the City Court, on Monday, will be the hearing of equity cases.

MONETARY AFFAIRS.

Sales at the Stock Exchange—JAN. 22, 1869.

$10,000 U. S. 6s, '81, R.	111½	100	Del. & Hud. Can.	126	
10,000 U. S. 6s, '81 C.	112	300	Pacific Mail	118½	
15,000 U. S. 5-20 C. '64	112	300	do	118¾	
20,000 U. S. 5-20 C. '65	112½	200	do	118¾	
20,000 U. S. 5-20 C. '67	112	300	do	118¾	
20,000 U. S. 5-20 C. '68	112½	300	do	118¾	
DAY		100	do	cash	118¾
20,000 U. S. 5-20 C. '67	112½	50	Adams Ex		69½
11,500 U. S. 5s, 10-40 C.	107½	12	U. Mo. R.		48
200 Cleve. & Pitts.	86	200	U. S. Express		69
1,000 Spark. R. W.	38	300	Mar. Un. Tel.		17
1,000 Pacific Mail, 30 days	118	100	Wells-Fargo Ex.		34
1,000 do. 30 cash	118½	100	do		35
1,000 do. 30 cash	118¾	300	Red. R. R.		13
10,000 Ill. Cent. 30 cash	115	100	Reading		48½
10,000 N. O. &	80½	31	do		48½
6,000 do	80½	100	Mich. Cen.		93½
8,000 Ill. Cen. &	115½	100	do		113½
1,000 do	115½	100	Mich. So.		80½
6,000 do	115½	100	do		80½
2,000 Mich. So. &	80½	100	do		80½
1,000 Mich. Cen. &	93½	100	Chic. & N. W.		84½
1,000 do	93½	200	do		84½
1,000 Mich. So. & N. I.	80½	100	do		84½
1,000 do	80½	100	do		84½
1,000 Ill. Cen. &	115½	100	do		84½
20,000 La Cr. 1st M.	50	100	do		84½
10,000 Ala. St. 6s, Class	50½	100	do		84½
1,000 Mich. So. &	80½	100	do		84½
8,000 C. & N. W. Con.		15	Lake Shore		101½
1,000 do. 2d call	84½	100	do		101½
1,000 T. & W. Bonds	53	100	do	30 call	100½
1,000 Tol. A. & Ft. W.	81½	15	Chi. & R. I.		101
1,000 Alt. & T. H. 1st M.	40	100	M. L. S. & W.		91½
1,000 Morris & Ess.	143	100	Tol. W. & W.		61½
1,000 Harlem 1st M.	100½	15	Rock Island		102
1,000 R. & Pt. F. Int.	80	100	N. J. Cen.		72½
1,000 R. & Pt. F. Bds	60	6	do		114½
500 West. U. Tel. bonds	99	100	Morris & Ess.		57½
50 Cleve. & Pitts.	86	100	R. & Pt. F. Pf.		30½
5 Tenth Nat. Bank	98	100	do		30½
50 Metropolitan Ex.	127	100	do		30½
15 Bank of Republic	121½	100	do		30½
20 Bank of N. Y.	184½	20	do	30 call	30½

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$6,000 U. S. 6s, '81, R.	111½	100	Mar. Pf.		28½
7,000 U. S. 6s, '81 C.	112	100	do		28½
2,000 U. S. 5-20 C. '65	112½	50	Pacific Mail		118½
2,000 U. S. 5-20 C. '67	112½	100	do		118½
2,000 U. S. 5-20 C. '68	112½	100	do		118½
10,000 U. S. 5s, 10-40 C.	107½	100	Cent. Coal Pf.		10
1,000 U. S. 5-20 C. '65	112½	100	U. S. Ex.		69½
2,000 U. S. 5-20 C. '67	112½	100	Adams Ex.		69½
2,000 U. S. 5-20 C. '68	112½	100	do		69½
DAY		100	Gaudens		23
2,000 U. S. 5-20 C. '65	112½	100	do		23
2,000 U. S. 5-20 C. '67	112½	100	Mich. Cen.		93½
2,000 U. S. 5-20 C. '68	112½	100	do		93½
4,000 U. S. 5-20 C. '65	112½	100	Clev. & Pitts.		86½
1,000 Kimball & Co.	80	100	Clev. & Tol.		80½
1,000 do. 30 cash	80	100	do		80½
1,000 do. 30 cash	80	100	do		80½
1,000 N. Cen. &	84½	100	do		80½
1,000 do. 30 cash	84½	100	Chic. & R. I.		101½
2,000 Tol. A. & Ft. W.	81½	100	do		101½
1,000 do. 30 cash	81½	100	do		101½
1,000 do. 30 cash	81½	100	do		101½
1,000 Mich. So. &	80½	100	do		101½
1,000 do. 30 cash	80½	100	do		101½
1,000 do. 30 cash	80½	100	do		101½
1,000 do. 30 cash	80½	100	do		101½
1,000 Ill. Cen. &	115½	100	do		101½
1,000 do. 30 cash

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MATINEE at 2 o'clock.

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NEWS OF THE DAY.

EUROPE.

The journalists of Berlin have prepared an address to Gen. GRANT to propose to Congress the passage of a bill establishing an international copyright law between the United States and Germany.

The bearer of the protocol of the Peace Conference to Athens has been instructed to wait five days for the answer of the Government. A London dispatch states that the adhesion of the Greeks to the protocol is now considered certain.

The death of LEOPOLD FERDINAND, Prince Royal of Belgium and Duke of Brabant, is announced. He was ten years old.

CONGRESS.

In the Senate yesterday, Mr. MORGAN's bill to punish the collection of illegal taxes upon passengers was briefly discussed, but not acted upon. Mr. FRELINGHUYSEN opposed it. A joint resolution was reported from the Committee on the Pacific Railroad directing the Secretary of the Treasury to withhold from that road and its branches Government bonds to the amount of $3,000 per mile as security for the completion of the several lines according to the provisions of the law. This was laid on the table. Mr. MORGAN introduced a bill, which was referred, establishing a bridge across the East River, between New-York and Brooklyn. The bill authorizing the construction of a railroad between Washington and New-York was taken up and considered. The pending amendment was that offered by Mr. DOOLITTLE to require the consent of the Legislatures of the States through which the roads would pass. Mr. DOOLITTLE spoke in support of his amendment, and in opposition to the bill. Without transacting any other business of moment the Senate adjourned.

In the House Mr. GRISWOLD introduced a bill to diminish the fluctuations in gold and to provide for a return to specie payments. It proposes the issue of gold notes by the Government, redeemable in coin, not to exceed three hundred and fifty millions, or the amount of gold in the Treasury; that the nominal amount of greenbacks be withdrawn from circulation, and that the amount of gold in the Treasury, above that required for three months' interest on the public debt, be used in redeeming greenbacks at the average gold value. Consideration of the bill granting land to the Denver Pacific Railroad and Telegraph Company was resumed, and Mr. LOGAN presented his substitute in a new form, which will be found in full in our regular report. The death of Congressman RINGO, of Arkansas, who was assassinated during the recent recess, was formally announced and eulogies were pronounced by the Arkansas members. The House then adjourned.

GENERAL.

Further intelligence from Japan by the steamer *Japan*, just arrived at San Francisco, is received. The Mikado had issued a proclamation announcing that peace reigns throughout the land. There is no Northern army now in the field and the Southerners are disbanding. The Tycoon's brother had arrived from Paris, it is reported on a mission of peace. The financial troubles of the Government were great. Money was freely issued, and the foreign merchants in Yokohama had requested their respective Ministers to protest them against the issue of paper money, unless the Government kept sufficient bullion on hand to redeem it at sight.

The American branch of the Universal Peace Union is holding its sessions in Washington. Among the resolutions adopted yesterday was one declaring that all idea of punishment, both in the human and divine government, should be done away with, as at war with the law of love; and that the present system of discipline in the family, the school and the prison, founded on this idea, is unworthy of civilization, to say nothing of Christianity. The President stated that he had learned from Gov. [illegible], of Pennsylvania, that Russian Vessels would not be searched, and that Sir Cocrs would pay no passport money to England.

A life convict in the Penitentiary at Columbus, Ohio, named JAMES BRENZIER, murdered M. H. PRESSER, foreman of one of the shops in the institution, on Wednesday, because he threatened to report him for neglecting his work. BRENZIER attacked PRESSER in the shop with a hatchet, while the room was full of workmen. He cut his head open, and after he had fallen, made a second stroke at him, hacking his neck horribly. BRENZIER was placed in the dungeon. He has before committed two murders.

Merchand's Hotel, at Riviere du Loup, Canada, was destroyed by fire yesterday morning. Three of Mr. MERCHAND's children, and a Mr. WALLACE, a civil engineer, were burned to death. A number of other persons were more or less injured.

The body of another clerk of Messrs. CALDWELL & Co., of Philadelphia, who was burned to death in the recent disaster, the 1st that city, has been found among the ruins. His name is J. FOUNTAIN FOLK. He was in the twenty-third year of his age, and was from Winchester, Va. His mother was in the city at the time of his sad death, she having arrived on a visit the night of the fire.

Our Buenos Ayres correspondence, dated Dec. 12, contains details of extended returns by President SARMIENTO, gives the latest news from the seat of war, and states that the American fleet had not yet reported the success in obtaining permission to pass the Allied squadron. Although it was supposed that the required authorization would eventually be obtained, it was expected that LOPEZ would accede to any demand for reparation in the case of the men arrested on the premises occupied by the United States Legation.

By way of Philadelphia, we are in receipt of our Havana letter dated Jan. 16. Our correspondent supplies us with the full list of CESPEDES' (revolutionary) manifesto in regard to the abolition of slavery in the ever Faithful Isle, and gives interesting details in regard to the situation, the aspect of which seems not unpromising for the opponents of the regular Government.

The Indiana Legislature, in a joint convention yesterday, elected Hon. D. S. PRATT, of Logansport, United States Senator, in the place of THOMAS A. HENDRICKS. The vote stood—PRATT, 82; HENDRICKS, 60. Mr. CUMBACK's name was withdrawn before his balloting was begun.

In the murder trial of Mrs. TWITCHELL, at Philadelphia, yesterday morning, the District-Attorney abandoned the case. The Judge charged the jury to bring in a verdict of not guilty, which was done, and the prisoner was discharged from custody.

An order has been issued for the arrest of NAPOLEON JENKINS, the pilot of the *America* at the time of the collision of that steamer with the *United States* in the Ohio. Mr. JENKINS is charged with "gross negligence and culpability as pilot at the time of the disaster," and has been required to give bonds in the sum of $5,000 for his appearance at the next term of the United States Court at Louisville in February.

The trial of ALVAN BLAIRSHIRE, JOHN J. ECKEL, and JOHN MCLANEY, in the United States District Court, for defrauding the Government by means of certain illicit transactions in whisky, having been concluded, Judge BLATCHFORD yesterday charged the jury, and they retired early in the afternoon for deliberation. In the evening, a verdict of "guilty" of some of the counts in the indictment was rendered, and the prisoners were remanded for sentence.

A man named MICHAEL MILLIGAN was severely, and it is feared, fatally stabbed last night, in Jersey-street, near Crosby-street, by a man named RICHARD MCGUIRE, with whom he had just quarreled. The former was taken to Bellevue Hospital, and the latter was arrested by the Police.

The Polish residents of the City celebrated the sixth anniversary of the Polish revolution, last evening, by a dinner given at No. 7 Delancey-street.

The Ladies' Union Aid Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church held their annual meeting yesterday afternoon at the "Home," in West Forty-second-street. The annual reports were read, and addresses were made by several gentlemen.

In the Court of General Sessions, yesterday, there were six pleas of guilty and one trial by jury, which resulted also in conviction. CHARLES SEITZ, *alias* Joseph Rothschild, was the individual who was tried, the charge against him being that of larceny. He was sentenced to five years' imprisonment at Sing Sing.

Several balls took place last evening. The letter-carriers of Stations "C," "D," "F" and "O" danced at Irving Hall; Prince of Orange Lodge at the Everett Rooms; the Lyric Club, at Lyric Hall; the Sligo Young Men's Association at Apollo Hall. In each instance the arrangements were perfect, the enjoyment the same.

Last evening Prof. R. OGDEN DOREMUS lectured at Steinway Hall on "Light and the Photometer." There was a numerous audience pr esent, and the effort was well received.

In the line of family marketing, a little more business custom was reported by the prominent dealers at Washington Market, at generally firm and uniform prices, with full average offerings of the leading articles. Eggs were lower and slow of sale.

Cotton closed tamely and heavily yesterday, especially for other than Middling grades, the offerings of which were quite moderate. Flour, Wheat, Corn, and Oats were in good request and advancing. Provisions and Groceries were quiet, but without notable changes in prices. Dry Goods were in fairly active demand, and generally strong in price. The freight market exhibited more animation, but at easier figures.

The number of animals received at all the markets, for the weekly supply, consists of 6,470 beef cattle; 96 milch cows; 709 veal calves; 26,205 sheep; 7,738 hogs. Beef cattle are dull, with a downward tendency in prices. Very few cattle are sold for over 16c. ℔ lb., net weight. Prices are nearly 1c. ℔ lb. lower than they were one week ago. Prices for sheep remain at 4c.@5c. ℔ lb., live weight, with few sales over 5c. ℔ lb. Mutton, by the carcass, is selling at 8c.@12c. ℔ lb. The prices for live hogs are maintained at 10½c.@11¼c. ℔ lb. Dressed, the arrivals bring 12c.@14c. ℔ lb., with a few lots at 14½c.@14¾c. ℔ lb.

The British "Working" Iron-Clad Navy.

That kindly provision of nature whereby, when we feel miserable ourselves, we can take comfort in observing that our neighbors are a great deal worse off than we are, is a consolation to nations as well as to men. Our wooden navy is certainly our despair; but there is a crumb of selfish comfort in finding the iron navies of other Powers in quite as bad a way.

Take, for example, the London *Times* account of the late adventures of the British "sea-going iron-clad *Agincourt*." She was sent out from Devonport to occupy the position of the *Formidable*—displaced and disrated. But she was accompanied by "an escort"—this famous "sea-going" iron-clad—to protect her from the perils of the voyage from Plymouth to the Nore. A gale struck her, and she hastily entered Sheerness Harbor under the wing of her escort, (a ship of less than a third her tonnage,) where "it was found next to impossible to safely moor the *Agincourt*; her anchors were therefore dropped, and, *fortunately*, they held the ground." But, for a long time afterward, and, indeed, up to latest advices, "the Government riggers were still endeavoring to moor the ship on the west shore."

Here is a fine "sea-going" iron-clad of 6,621 tons for you to contrast with these "unseaworthy craft" called monitors, which have only crossed the Atlantic and spanned the Pacific, doubling Cape Horn. The *Echos* is vastly satirical on this performance, and exclaims, "This is the 'cheap defence' for which we pay twelve millions annually." Surely, here is a counterpoise to some of our steam-machinery calamities.

The joke of the thing is that, all the while, despite such experiences as this, and despite the declarations of Admiral WARDEN, (after his annual experiments,) that most of his broadside iron-clads rolled so in a medium swell that using their guns with effect was out of the question—the English fancy that the broadside ship is the only seaworthy iron-clad. The leading professional military journals in England lately remarked, with great gravity, that "until a monitor is built, capable of contending successfully with all kinds of weather in such stormy latitudes, as the English channel and the Bay of Biscay, the naval supremacy of England is more likely to be maintained by ships built on the broadside principle."

Of course we must expect our worthy cousins to ignore the *Monitor*-coal's voyage to Europe and all along its coast, from the Baltic to the Bay of Biscay, and even through this terrible English Channel itself; and the *Dictator's* successful conflict with a worse gale than that which worsted the huge *Agincourt*; and the *Monadnock's* ten-thousand-mile voyage from New-York to San Francisco, doubling Cape Horn itself. But, how can one ignore so pitiful a scene as the big broadside ship that wouldn't and couldn't be handled even in Sheerness Harbor?

The Revenues of the Government—What the Whisky Tax Can Yield.

It is pretty clearly ascertained that the Government needs, for payment of its current expenses and interest on the public debt, about $300,000,000 every year. What it can get beyond this amount is all it can devote to paying the principal of the debt. The receipts under our present tariff are quite uniform, and do not vary much from $160,000,000;—leaving $140,000,000 to be received from internal revenue. Unless we again subject to taxation branches of industry now exempt, *one-half* of our internal revenue must come from whisky and tobacco.

The most the Government ever received from these two sources in any one year was received in 1867, when whisky paid $28,296,264, and tobacco paid $18,907,461, or a total of $47,203,725. Last year whisky paid but $13,419,092, and tobacco $17,898,782, or a total revenue of but $31,317,874. It will be seen, therefore, that to realize *seventy millions* from these two sources, the receipts must be increased over those of last year *one hundred and thirty per cent.*

Can this be done? We think it can. The most important steps toward it have already been taken in the amendments of the law. The tax on whisky has been reduced from $2 per gallon to 63 cents, and the tax on tobacco from 40 to 32 cents per pound. To receive the same amount of tax from whisky under the new law, that was received under the old, over *three* gallons must pay tax under the new law, where only *one* paid under the old. If the annual consumption of the country under the old law was *sixty* millions of gallons, it will be seen that we never collected the tax, under that law, on more than one gallon in *four*, and during the last year it was not collected on more than one gallon in ten, of the whole amount produced. If under cheapened production, the consumption under the new law shall reach 75 millions of gallons, in order to realize $40,000,000 under the tax of 63 cents, we must collect on 85 per cent. of the whole amount produced. It is conceded by those most familiar with the subject, that of the *stamp* tax not more than 60 per cent. is collected, and no one believes that a larger amount of what is really due from the *income* tax, is ever actually paid. Can we do better with the whisky tax than is done with the stamp and income taxes?

With greater unity of purpose among the departments in Washington, and greater care in the selection of subordinates, aided by a few slight amendments of the present law, we think we can,—that *eighty-five per cent.* of the whole amount of the whisky tax can be collected.

1. The reduction of the tax from $2 to 63 cents has, in the first place, practically extinguished illicit or secret distillation, carried on in distilleries of which the Government has no knowledge, and which, of course, pay no tax. At least this has been the effect in the Northern cities. Under the old law the frauds committed in this way were very extensive.

2. In the second place, the change in the law has greatly reduced the number of licensed distilleries. Of the 1,900 licensed under the old law, less than 400 have so far complied with the requirements of the new law as to entitle them to commence business.

3. The precautions against fraud made by the new law are much more effective than under the old. Before any distiller can commence work, a careful survey of his distillery is made by a skilful person, and the quantity of whisky it is capable of producing every twenty-four hours, is carefully determined. Then every distiller is presumed to have begun work on the third day after the approval of his bond, and to have kept at work steadily until he shall give notice in writing to the Assessor of his intention to stop. At the end of every month the Assessor shall inquire whether the distiller has accounted in his returns for all the spirits manufactured by him during the preceding month; but these returns must never be less than 80 per cent. of the whole amount the distillery is *capable* of producing. Thus if it has been determined that a distillery can produce 3,000 gallons per day, it must return and pay taxes on at least 2,400. The time of fermenting the beer being given, the quantity of spirits that can be produced in a distillery can be determined within ten per cent.; and while it is possible for a distillery to equal, or even exceed, its assessed producing capacity for short periods, yet if the law is enforced and the distiller compelled to adhere to the time of fermentation fixed and stated in his notice, no distillery can produce more than eighty-five or ninety per cent. of its assessed capacity. The execution of this law needs to be guarded, therefore, only at three points: (1) To see that the producing capacity of the distillery is correctly determined: (2) That the distiller does not continue work after having given notice of his intention to stop: (3) That he does not ferment his beer in less time than that stated in his notice.

1. To determine the producing capacity of the distillery, the number and size of the fermenting tubs, and the time of fermentation being given, is a simple matter of calculation; fraud can only be committed here by false measurements, which is too dangerous to be attempted.

2. The law requires that the Assessor, whenever a distiller gives notice of his intention to stop work, shall proceed to the distillery and lock the doors of the boilers and furnace of the still, so that no fire can be kindled under it; and it then provides that if any mash or beer shall be found on the premises of a distiller who has given notice of his intention to stop work, before giving notice of his intention to resume, that fact shall be proof that he is a distiller doing business without a license. As a distiller cannot ferment and distil a mash in less than two to four days, this method of cheating was deemed too dangerous to be attempted, until a recent decision of Deputy Commissioner HARLAND robbed it of all its terrors. In defiance of the most explicit provisions of the law, Mr. HARLAND decided that whenever a distiller suspends work in consequence of an accident to his machinery, he may retain his mash on hand without incurring the penalties of the law. This decision was all that was required to open the doors to *fraud* as widely as ever, and utterly nullify the provisions of law, which, if faithfully executed by the Department would render fraud in this way impossible. No distiller will henceforth ever stop work, as a matter of course, except in consequence of an "accident to his machinery;" and accidents will be as plenty as blackberries. It is greatly to be regretted that when a law is passed against fraud, which a distiller cannot get round, some officer of the Department is always found ready to bore *through* it with a decision.

3. It is clear that in the third mode of cheating, the provisions of the law are and must be the weakest. If the capacity of a distillery is determined upon the basis that it will require seventy-two hours for fermentation when it can be done in thirty-six, the distiller can make *twice* as much as he is required to account for. Of course no such fraud can be committed except by collusion with the storekeeper; but as the law provides no officer to watch the storekeeper, the only reliance is upon the honesty of that officer. The Supervisor of the District was intended to do this duty,—but the law gives him no officers to aid him. This is a defect,—the most serious one,—in the law; and it ought to be amended.

It may be worth while to contrast the execution of this law in different districts, taking for comparison those in which information is most accessible, in New-York and Brooklyn;—the *Eighth* and *Ninth* in New-York, the only districts in which distilling is carried on to any extent, and the *First* and *Third* on Long Island.

In the Eighth District, New-York, during October last, there were *seven* distilleries in operation. They ran, on an average, fifteen days each, and their total producing capacity for this time was 241,973 gallons, of which 80 per cent. is 193,575 gallons. They returned and accounted for only 175,524 gallons, or 72 per cent. of their capacity.

In the Ninth District there were *nine* distilleries in operation during the same time. They ran, on an average, eighteen and one-half days, and their total producing capacity for this time was 189,026, of which 80 per cent. is 151,220 gallons. They actually returned only 124,756 gallons, or 66 per cent. of their total capacity, instead of 80 per cent., as required by law, leaving the difference to be assessed by the Assessor.

In the First District, Long Island, there was but one distillery running in October. It ran full time, or for twenty-seven days. Its total producing capacity for this time was 191,700 gallons, of which 80 per cent. is 153,360 gallons; it actually produced and accounted for 188,000 gallons, or 98½ per cent. of its total capacity.

In the Third District, Brooklyn, formerly one of the worst districts in the whole country for fraud, there were four distilleries running in October. These ran on an average 23¾ days each, two of the largest running full time of twenty-seven days each. Their total producing capacity for this time was 254,961 gallons, of which 80 per cent. is 203,969 gallons. They actually produced and accounted for 237,639 gallons, or upward of 93 per cent. of their total capacity.

The contrast presented between the districts in Brooklyn and those in New-York is worthy the careful attention of every one interested, or to be interested, in the collection of the whisky tax. It will be remembered that, for all the distiller is compelled to account above eighty per cent., the Government is directly indebted to the vigilance and integrity of the officers of the district; but where he only accounts for eighty per cent. or less, the Government owes nothing to its officers, and so far as the whisky tax is concerned might as well, and perhaps might better, have none at all. It will be seen that in the First the Government owes to its officers the collection of the tax on 24,640 gallons in a single month, and in the Third on 33,660 gallons, making in all, in these two districts, for a single month the tax on 58,300 gallons, amounting to $36,729, which would have been lost to the Government but for their vigilance and integrity; while in the Eighth and Ninth Districts, but for the provisions of the law, which the officers cannot get around if they try, the Government would have lost the tax on 35,199 gallons. It will be seen that the single distillery in the First District produced forty per cent. more whisky than the *nine* distilleries in the Ninth District, and the four distilleries in the Third District produced 82,000 gallons more than the seven in the Eighth District, although the distilleries in the Eighth are larger than those in the Third District.

These facts are worthy of attention. They show that a different administration of the law will produce very different results, and that its *honest* execution, by men of vigilance and integrity, will bring into the Treasury very nearly the full amount of the Government tax. That there has been a good deal of cheating under the new law is shown by the fact that while, during October and November, whisky could not be manufactured for less than $1 13 per gallon, including the tax, it actually sold as low as 96 cents. But there has been a change for the better in this respect under the administration of Supervisor DURCHES, and, notwithstanding the fall in grain and coal and the diminished cost of production, whisky has advanced some five or six cents per gallon. This shows that some of the sources of fraud have been dried up.

With trifling amendments, some of which we have suggested, and with more unity of action at Washington and greater energy and decision in the Revenue Department, we are satisfied that under the present law the whisky tax may be made to yield its full share of the $140,000,000 required from the Internal Revenues of the Government.

The Senatorial Contest.

We are in receipt of a good many communications concerning the recent Senatorial election in this State, some of them sensible enough, more of them very foolish, and none of them likely to do any good. We decline to publish them, and feel not the slightest inclination for any controversy on the subject.

The contest was sharp and somewhat bitter, as such contests are very apt to be. The general political opinion seems to be that, in such a struggle, all is fair that promises success; and we have little doubt that the Speaker's power to appoint committees, as well as other influences more or less legitimate, was very freely employed in the canvass. For some reason or other a place on certain committees, and especially the chairmanship of them, has come to be an object of very intense desire on the part of members of the Legislature; and the promise of such positions, it is said, will go farther than any other kind of promises in controlling the action of ambitious and aspiring members.

But the contest is over, and Gov. FENTON is our Senator for the next six years. That the Republican sentiment of the State at large is better satisfied with his election than it would have been with that of Gov. MORGAN we have very little doubt, because we think that his personal feelings and official action have been more closely in harmony with that sentiment. Gov. FENTON has acted with what has been known as the Radical wing of the party during and since the war, and has relied upon it for support; while Gov. MORGAN's personal sympathies and relations have been with the other wing.

That Gov. FENTON will make as active, efficient and popular a Senator as his predecessor has done we see no reason to doubt. He is a skillful politician, and will do nothing against the wishes or beyond the limits of the party. He will have the zealous and hearty support of the Republicans of the State at large, and is entitled to the fair and candid judgment of his acts from those who preferred his opponent as well as of those with whom he has been the favorite from the outset.

Under these circumstances we see no good to be accomplished by keeping up the controversy which was closed by his election. Charges of corruption, as having effected the result, are idle in face of the law which excludes the testimony of the only parties who could be cognizant of their truth, and there seems to be no disposition in any quarter to alter the law, so as to make an investigation of the slightest use.

Mr. Jenckes' Address on the Civil Service Bill.

Mr. JENCKES, in his recent address on the Civil Service bill, at the University Chapel, had the good fortune to appear before an audience, such as in respectability and intelligence seldom gathers together in New-York. It is unfortunate that in liveliness and impressiveness of statement, the address was not equal to the occasion. What may be called the "Congressional style" of oratory—the long-drawn and deliberate commonplaces, the reading of hackneyed quotations from the writings of the "Fathers" of the Republic, and the swelling periods on the glory of the Union, may be very well for Washington or a popular canvass, but are quite under the grade of culture of the best New-York audiences.

Mr. JENCKES did not assume enough knowledge or cultivation on the part of his audience. Every one felt, too, that in considering our civil service, the less said about "the grandeur of the American Union," or the virtues of the "American citizen," the better. We may be a terror to the despots and a model to the corrupt aristocracies of Europe; still it is quite certain that both the despots and the aristocrats get a tenfold better civil service than ours, and at one-tenth of the expense and loss. Nowhere in the civilized world is there such a costly machinery as the American, with such slovenly work and such immense cheating of the public. The strongest point in Mr. JENCKES' address was made after he finished, as an *arrière pensée*, when he said that we were to bear in mind that "*out of every four dollars we paid in taxes, one went to the thieves!*"

What was needed from Mr. JENCKES was not a history of our civil service or quotations from JEFFERSON and Lord BACON, but a compact, strong statement, made with some rapidity, of the defects of our civil service, and the modes in which his particular bill would remedy them.

It is generally understood that vast sums are wasted annually by the dishonesty and inefficiency of the officials of our Government. The Commissioner of Internal Revenue estimates our *wastage* at $75,000,000 in his department, and the Customs are thought to lose $25,000,000 annually. Many good judges consider these estimates far beneath the truth. In all probability, at least *one hundred millions* of our taxes go into the pockets of rogues, or fail of reaching the Treasury. That is, every mechanic and business man and clergyman whose annual taxes, direct and indirect, amount to $400, pays $100 to the incompetents, peculators and thieves of the public service. Is it strange that the expenses of each family have arisen, since 1860, as Mr. WELLS proves, *seventy-nine per cent.*, when a quarter of the annual income of the Government is wasted or plundered? No such peculation as this has ever been known, under the most effete and corrupt aristocracies of the Old World. Not all of this loss, however, is through the dishonesty of agents; a considerable proportion arises from their inexperience and incompetency. Mr. WELLS, in his former Report, related a striking instance of a change of an Assessor in Chicago (made from political motives) costing the Government in a single district, within a short period, *one hundred thousand dollars*. But how many places are there where a sudden change of officials produces a far greater loss, yet one which cannot appear at once on the Government accounts! But more than this, the whole machinery of society and business in the United States runs badly; business is impeded and comfort diminished, simply because the public officials do not understand their work.

Let any American who is disposed to be boastful of the great Republic compare our Post Office, Custom-house and Internal Revenue service with that of England, for instance. The truth is that in such departments we are as much behind Europe in the organization of a high civilization, as South America is behind us. There is as much difference between the British Post Office and our own as there is between a stage-coach and railroad.

The whole defect, the loss and wastage and annoyance, is entirely due to our system of appointing to office. Every one understands this. The only question is, "How shall it be changed?"

Mr. JENCKES proposes that a responsible and competent Board be appointed, who shall examine into the qualifications, moral and mental, of applicants for subordinate offices, just as a merchant or a bank or an insurance company would in regard to a proposed employe.

He takes the ground that honest men can be found, and competent men, fit for all offices; and that there is some way of determining this better than by leaving the choice to the party interest or prejudices of a Congressman, or head of department, or President. An Examining Board, who should take strict account of a man's testimonials, his education, his business efficiency, his general reliability and character would certainly come nearer to a correct test than by any other known method. They would be deceived sometimes, or mistaken, but, on the whole, Mr. JENCKES thinks they would secure a better class of men and retain them longer than does our present system. A public official would soon come to know his work, and to have a pride in it, and, being permanently placed, he would have all the motives which permanency gives to honesty and thoroughness. His eye would no longer be directed to a party, but to his duty. Should he misbehave or prove incompetent, complaint could at once be entered before the Board, and his case be tried. If proved unfitted for the place, or dishonest, the Board could open another examination or appoint the one with the next lower certificate. The certificates of such a Board would also be good for all similar public and private situations of trust. A similar plan has worked admirably in the India service of Great Britain. Why should it not here?

The Paris Conference—Its Probable Results.

The deliberations of the Conference on the Greco-Turkish affair having been brought to a conclusion by the adoption of a "recommendation" to the Hellenic Government, embodying the main points of the Turkish demands, and the Greek Minister at Paris having been embarrassed by the interruption of telegraphic communications, a special messenger has been dispatched to Athens, bearing the terms of the "recommendation," and instructed to demand an answer within five days. The Great Powers, that is to say, have joined in an *ultimatum* to King GEORGE, requiring him to comply with the manifest dictates of international law. And under the circumstances, it was difficult to see what else the Great Powers could be expected to do. Greece was brought up before the Conference, as it were, on a charge of having broken her neutrality, violated the law of nations, and endangered the peace of Europe. The evidence was overwhelming—Greece even gloried in the crime charged against her—and the verdict naturally assumed the shape of a warning and a "recommendation" which practically amounts to a decree that the Government of Athens shall bind itself over to keep the peace.

Five days are to be allowed for deliberation on the part of the Hellenic Government. If, at the expiration of that period, Greece persists in her present attitude, and refuses to be guided by the ruling of the Conference, it is to be presumed that Turkey will at once proceed to active hostilities, with the tacit assent of all the Powers represented in the Conference. Even Russia would, in that case, be debarred from striking in on behalf of her favorite catspaw. Despite all vague assertions to the contrary, there is no evidence whatever that the Bulgarians or Armenians or any other of the numerous Christian races inhabiting Turkish territory, are actuated by any very strong sympathy with the Greeks. There is nothing more fallacious than the assumption that because the Greeks are Christians, and because so many million subjects of the Porte are also Christians, that the latter are likely to make common cause with the former. In many matters the Greeks and the other branches of Oriental Christians regard each other with cool indifference, in many others with actual ill-will. In any case, the neutrality of all European Powers being assured, there can be little doubt of the ability of Turkey to speedily coerce Greece and repress any rising that may take place in her own dominions.

But we scarcely think it possible that Greece can be foolhardy enough to plunge into a ruinous war without the prospect of an ally, or even, as far as can be seen, of anything like a serious diversion of her enemy's resources in the shape of internal disturbance. Even the Persian difficulty—of which, by the way, we have heard no more—would not prevent Turkey from at once concentrating the whole of her fleet in Greek waters, and inflicting injuries on Greece from which she would be long in recovering. It would be sheer madness on the part of the Hellenic Government to risk a war. As for the report that a Greek war-ship had fired into a French sloop, we can only suppose that, if true, it was the result of accident. Even Greece, with all her audacity, could scarcely bring upon herself, knowingly, the sharp chastisement which France would most assuredly administer in such a case. We fancy the Hellenic Government will take a wise view of the situation, and adapt its action to circumstances. Peace will be preserved, and the Eastern Question postponed till a more convenient season.

MINOR TOPICS.

The Springfield *Republican* insists that before the Senate of the United States admits Mr. FENTON to his seat, it shall investigate the charges against him of having obtained it by corrupt means. The *Republican* can scarcely intend to apply a rule to New-York which it will not also apply to Pennsylvania, New-Jersey, and other States; and if it requires such an investigation in the case of all Senators who are supposed to have been corruptly elected, how does it expect to get a quorum of that body together for business purposes? Besides, who is to decide what means are corrupt and what are not, in such an election? The Senate will probably hold fast to the good old Whig doctrine and refuse to go behind the "broad seal" of a sovereign State. Thus will they all keep their seats.

The Jury in the case of BLAKEMELL and ECKEL (whisky frauds) brought in a verdict yesterday. They are found guilty of all the charges in the indictment except those referring to the rectifier's book. The Court will this morning fix the time of sentence. See our law reports.

We don't think the fact that REVERDY JOHNSON shook hands with Mr. LAYARD is sufficient ground for rejecting the treaty for the settlement of the *Alabama* claims. If Mr. JOHNSON did a wrong thing, he has been sufficiently punished for it; but let the treaty be judged by its merits.

The Philadelphia *North American* must have a rather limited knowledge of mercantile and business transactions when it supposes that New-York importers and dealers are in the habit of telling to their customers pieces of goods, measuring ten yards, as though they contained twelve. The *North American* pitches into our merchants savagely for such conduct, and charges them with swindling the whole country in this way. If there are Philadelphia merchants foolish enough to believe such nonsense, we do not wonder that they fail to get their share of the stupendous and constantly-increasing trade of New-York.

A gang of seven counterfeiters were arrested in this City yesterday, and the counterfeit greenbacks and machinery for counterfeiting were found on the premises. We doubt if it will be possible to convict and sentence these counterfeiters in time for President JOHNSON to release them before the expiration of his term of office.

The Grand Jury made a presentment yesterday in reference to the carrying of loaded pistols,—setting forth that the law is so interpreted as to tolerate their being carried, and asking the State Legislature to amend the law so as to make the carrying of a concealed loaded pistol a penal offence. We have no doubt the Legislature will attend to this matter.

In speaking of the refusal of sundry Republicans to support Mr. CUMBACK, the regular caucus nominee for Senator, the Cincinnati *Commercial* says that "bolters very often do a good work; and that caucusing is very much overdone, and rebellions against the despotism of king caucus are wholesome." It is needless for us to remark that this is rank heresy in all well-regulated political circles. Yet it *may* be true for all that.

GEO. FRANCIS TRAIN demands permission to address Congress, while in session, in behalf of the Fenians who are now imprisoned in England; and he gives notice that if this is not speedily granted, and the Bastile doors soon thrown open, "he will not be responsible for the British Legation or Consulate in this City." We tremble for the consequences, but do not very well see what can be done about it.

The Burns festival, on Monday night, promises to be an occasion of marked interest. The proposal to invite *ladies* to participate in it has given rise to a lively discussion in social circles, and to some extent in the Press. We were in error, the other day, in giving the impression that it had been formally canvassed in the St. Andrew's Society. A correspondent writes us to deny a statement, made in a weekly paper, that Scotchmen were to be excluded from the festival. He says that they were not to be selected to respond to toasts, because of the egotism involved in their being put forward to eulogize Scotland and the Scotch. The writer adds that, in the conference referred to, he *did* say:

"That the presence of no gentleman at that dinner would be agreeable to the managers, be he Scotchman or anybody else, who was not ready to warmly approve of the propriety of the presence of ladies as guests on that occasion. We have invited the ladies to attend."

Over one hundred ladies have accepted invitations to be present.

It seems that there is at last a prospect of something being done to put a stop to the sale of the dangerous and destructive kerosene oil now commonly vended throughout the City. The Board of Health have the matter before them, and have the authority in the matter.

It will be seen by our report elsewhere that the new ferry of the Erie Railway Company, from the foot of Twenty-third-street to the Jersey shore, will be ready in a few weeks. The new offices of the Company will be in Pike's Opera House, in Twenty-third-street, which is being rapidly prepared for that purpose. A number of other new schemes connected with "Erie" are to be carried out.

The *Evening Mail* claims to have started the discussion which is now raging about the question of *filing* the hair. It is not satisfied with the opinions on the subject that have been delivered by the *Democrat*, (which ought to know,) by the *Chronicle*, (which pretends to know,) and other papers, but demands our judgment on a question that vitally affects the brains and lives of

CENTRAL AND SOUTH AMERICA.

Arrival of the Steamship Arizona—$633,419 in Treasure.

The steamship *Arizona*, from Aspinwall Jan. 14, reached this port yesterday. She brings the specie indicated in the subjoined

TREASURE LIST.

Eugene Kelly & Co.	$24,000	B. L. Isaacs & Asch	4,000
Dabney, Morgan & Co	126,519	Order	22,000
Lees & Waller	325,000		
		Total	$533,419

Dissatisfaction in Panama—The Coming Elections—Foreign Merchants and the Colombian Government—Deaths by Yellow Fever.

From Our Own Correspondent.

PANAMA, Wednesday, Jan. 13, 1869.

We have had nothing from Bogota, the Capital, since my last, and no arrival from either Central or South America.

The State of Panama is quiet at present, but great discontent is caused by the present rule. A day or two since, Dr. MANUEL AMADOR GUERRERO, who was legally elected President of the State, but whose election was set aside by the military under Gen. PERON and the present ruler, COMMACHO, had arrived at Panama from the province of Chiriqui, on his way to Carthagena, as an exile. Don LORENZO GARRIDO, a prominent citizen of the State, also arrived from Chiriqui, en route for Central America, to seek protection for his life and property, which he cannot find here. In fact, nearly all the principal inhabitants of the rich province of Chiriqui, were abandoning their homes and property, a long experience having taught them that there is no safety for them at their native head.

I wrote you in my last that part of a battalion of national troops had reached here from Bogota, their mission being probably to force the people of this State to vote for Gen. SALGAR for President of the Republic for the next term, the indications being that they would rather have Gen. MOSQUERA, who is now in exile in Lima. And I expressed an apprehension that these soldiers would be a source of annoyance to us, as all the soldiers, both of the State and Republic have been. Although these soldiers have been only a week among us, my predictions seem on the point of being verified. Two nights since rumors were spread about the city that the Panama State militia would attack them in their barracks, and expel them if they could, as they had lately done to the battalion "Santander." The town was much frightened, but the event did not occur. It will come off, though, probably, and lead to another year's turmoil, to help destroy what little trade the past four years' revolutions have left our merchants.

The Government and the foreign merchants have come to no agreement as to the excessive war contributions levied upon the latter for the coming year. The merchants have decided to fall back upon the law of New-Granada of 1868, which says that the ports of Panama, Chagres, &c., shall be free ports for a term of twenty years after the opening of an easy communication between the two oceans, and that no export or import duties, no tonnage, or excise duties, or other dues shall be demanded for a like term, unless such commercial contributions are pointed out in the law. And the law says that the maximum of this tax on each person shall be $25 per month. Year after year the State, in defiance of this national stipulation, has increased this tax, till now a single house is charged $600 per month. If the State Government persists in this injustice, the merchants will call upon their several Governments for protection.

Paymaster SPALDING, Shore Paymaster United States Navy, lost his youngest son by fever on the 8th inst., and on the 9th his wife, Mrs. MARTHA BREWER SPALDING, died of the same disease. Paymaster SPALDING's clerk, Mr. MITCHELL, is now down with fever, but, it is hoped, will recover. These deaths, it is believed, have resulted from the unhealthy situation of the Paymaster's habitation, in rooms of the United States Government over the storehouse. Mr. BAYS, clerk of the Paymaster, lately died in the same house. The Government ought to throw up its ten years' lease of these premises at once. Much sympathy is expressed for Mr. SPALDING, and almost every respectable foreigner in the city followed the remains of his beautiful wife to the grave.

The United States Consul at Aspinwall has formally protested to the President and Constituent Assembly, against the late decree making the sale of ice the exclusive right of the State.

CHARLES A. HENDERSON, Esq., for several years British Consul at Panama, has been transferred to Callao. Mr. WILDEMAN, now at Callao, succeeds him. Mr. HENDERSON has served with great acceptance to his own countrymen, and has ever been foremost in all charitable projects for the good of our whole foreign population.

NATHANIEL BRANDON, one of our principal merchants, died in Jamaica on the 22d ultimo. The business of the house will be continued by his widow and partner.

Gen. THOMAS ELIOT SMITH, United States Consul at Panama, has gone to Central America, for his health. Gen. SMITH has been quite sick for several weeks, and the trip is absolutely necessary for the recovery of his health.

The old Cyane is still kept in the harbor of Panama. The gun-boats *Penobscot* and *Tuscis*, are at Aspinwall.

The American ship *Winfield Scott* and the British ship *Satellite*, with coals, both arrived here from Cardiff, on the 7th.

HENRY V. CLEMENS, the New-York forger, who was convicted here ten days since of negotiating fraudulent a stolen letter of credit, and sentenced to the chaingang for thirty-two months, as a matter of course, has been allowed to "escape" from prison by his keepers, he having had a large sum of money with which to bribe them. He has now gone to "pastures new" to exercise his vocation. Several other convicts who had means were also allowed to depart at the same time.

Reforms by President Sarmiento—Latest War News—30,000 Men Sent to Pass Vilcita—American Steamers in South American Waters—The Allied Squadron and the Passage of the American Fleet.

From Our Own Correspondent.

BUENOS AYRES, S. A., Sunday, Dec. 13, 1868.

President SARMIENTO is doing wonders in the matter of public reforms. Every few days we have a batch of decrees striking at the root of some old abuse or setting on foot some reform after the style of the United States. New war steamers are to take the place of old ones, which are to be sold without ceremony at auction, deserters are to be allowed forgiveness if they return to the army, bounties and pensions are to be provided and paid at sight, widows, orphans and soldiers are to have their claims settled monthly, and the children of those killed in battle are to be educated. These are among the objects of the most recent decrees, and we hear of others to be attained without delay. Of course any long war cultivates abuses and frauds. The war in the River Plate is no exception. One recently exposed has made a good deal of stir. Goods for the hospital are admitted free of duty. It was found that the army hospital have used 72,000 ounces of of salt (192,000 bushels) in three months. SARMIENTO has no mercy for the authors of frauds on the Government, and there will be fewer committed before his term expires.

THE SEAT OF WAR.

The heavy rains, unprecedented, have retarded matters at the front, but by our latest advices, Marshal GALLIS has sent over 20,000 men to pass the Villeita battery by land, on the Chaco side. These were to attack Villeta by the north side, while Gen. GELLY Y OBES would attack the front. Ten iron-clads were also to join the forces. This general attack has been long delayed, and we do not yet know when it may be effected. The REPOR has reached us that LOPEZ has retired from Villeta and is fortifying himself in the interior. This news may be premature, but it is the course of events.

AMERICAN STEAMERS.

The *Rosetta*, an American-built steamer, has been laid up here a long time, and last week she passed under the hammer at $49,000, gold. This was a good sale here, but it will hardly save the owners from loss. She was bought by the principal commissaries of the army. The *America* is the finest steamer that has ever been in these waters. She runs between this city and Montevideo. She will compare well with one of the best East River boats, but she is so managed on board as to render the public very uneasy. If she had an Italian Captain on board of her she would make money. No steamer fails in the hands of one of the sons of Italy. The *Blanco Encalada* is again on the same route. She is also a fine steamer. But the old, inconvenient, dirty steamers so long on this river command a patronage as by magic, while new, better and clean steamers, state-rooms, and finely furnished, work away, striking money. There are exceptions to this, but they are under native or Italian management.

THE AMERICAN FLEET.

The American fleet has not yet reported its success in obtaining permission to pass the Allied squadron, but it is supposed there will be no difficulty. It is expected that LOPEZ will do all in his power to hinder the two young men arrested by his orders in the United States Legation.

AUSTRALASIA.

Education in Victoria—The Gold Mines—Ministerial Crisis in Queensland—Leichhardt the Explorer—Reports as to His Fate—Massacre of Settlers in New-Zealand.

By the arrival at this port of the Aspinwall steamer *Arizona*, we are in receipt of late news from Australasia.

VICTORIA.

The question of establishing a line of powerful steamers off the Cape of Good Hope, was said to be engaging the attention of the Victorian Government.

According to the returns of the Victorian Board of Education, there are now 70,000 children being educated in the common schools of that colony.

A lady named FLORENCE GRONVENOR, from California, has been lecturing in St. George's Hall, Melbourne, on the late American war.

It was stated that a native shrub had been discovered in Victoria, which is far better than the mulberry for feeding silkworms, and that silkworms fed upon it produced more silk than those fed in any other manner.

CHARLES O. BEARDS, late master of the schooner *S. D. Bailey*, of San Francisco, had been charged at the Melbourne Police Court, by the American Consul, with having committed forgery within the jurisdiction of America. Prosecutor was unable to bring forward sufficient evidence to establish the charge. A curious feature of the case was the inability of either side to prove to what nation Fanning Island belonged. On one hand it was contended that it was a British possession; on the other that it belonged to America.

Dr. MILLER, Government Botanist at the Mauritius, was in Melbourne; he intended visiting Sydney and Brisbane and the Pacific islands, to collect information respecting the sugar cane.

A nugget had been found in Fortunate Valley, Berlin Diggings, Victoria, weighing 40 lbs., and valued at $1,800. It was unearthed by two men, who, only three weeks previous, found a 24 lb. nugget.

The yield of gold at Sandhurst and its neighborhood, for the month of October, reached a total of 19,966 ounces, or very nearly 5,000 per week.

QUEENSLAND.

The ministerial crisis in Queensland had terminated. The Parliament was opened on the 12th of November by his Excellency, Gov. BLACKALL. The speech stated that it was proposed to make a reduction in the ad valorem duties to five per cent; a remission of the duties on machinery; and the raising of a loan for immigration, and for the completion of existing railways. On the 20th, a vote of confidence motion was lost by the Speaker's casting vote. The Ministry resigned, and a new one, with Mr. LILLEY as Premier and Attorney-General, was formed.

Complaints of the drought were received from all parts of Queensland.

The sugar and cotton crops in the neighborhood of Bowen, were looking well.

SOUTH AUSTRALIA.

The fate of LEICHHARDT and his men, who, it will be remembered, started on an exploring expedition to Western Australia some twenty years ago, has lately created new interest by the supposed discovery of a clue to the lost party. The following is from the South Australian *Advertiser* of Nov. 6, giving particulars of the statement made to Messrs. MOUGAN by a native, in the course of an exploration 120 miles to the eastward of the settled part of Western Australia:

"Amost interesting matter in connection with this trip was an account of the murder by the natives of some white men about twenty years ago. Looking at all the circumstances, it seems not impossible that these whites were no other than LEICHHARDT and his party. The time agrees with that of poor LEICHHARDT's expedition; the circumstances of the murder appear probable; and the place is just on the route the lost explorer was intending to take. We give, however, Mr. MOUGAN's account of his conversation with the native on the matter: 'During the evening the native, JIMMY, told me the particulars about the white men killed by the natives about twenty years ago. JIMMY said it occurred when he was a little boy, and I should take him to be now from thirty to thirty-five years old. He said he knew well one of the principal men concerned, a native named BOWMAN, who died only a few months since. It took place at a spot he had never seen, at a spring near the bank of a very large lake—so large, he said, that it looked like the sea as seen from Rottnest, eleven days' journey from Kingdam, in a fine country. The white men were rushed upon while making a damper, and clubbed and speared. He had often seen one of the axes that formed a portion of the plunder.'"

NEW ZEALAND.

On the 12th of November a telegram was received, giving an account of a most dreadful massacre of thirty-one settlers, including men, women, and children, and a number of friendly natives, in a night attack on the settlement of Matawhero, Poverty Bay, by a party of Hau-haus who recently made their escape from the Chatham Islands. Later accounts confirm all previous statements as to the extent of the tragedy.

AFFAIRS IN CUBA.

Revolutionary Proclamation in Regard to the Abolition of Slavery—Meeting of the Revolutionary Junta—Future Policy of the Liberals—Marine Disaster.

From Our Own Correspondent.

HAVANA, Saturday, Jan. 16, 1869.

From its curiosity as a State paper, the general interest attached to it as affecting the great social question now agitating all circles in Cuba, and the many apparent contradictions and inconsistencies contained in it, I give below, in full, the late proclamation of CESPEDES, issued at Bayamo, abolishing slavery. As regards the question treated of, the only judgment that can be formed is that it is very unsatisfactory in its general outline and details. Perhaps there are a great many who understand well and thoroughly the real object of this curious production of the revolutionary leader; but, as far as your correspondent is concerned, its solution or analyzation is as difficult as the celebrated riddle of the Sphynx:

Carlos Manuel Cespedes, Captain-General of the Liberal Army of Cuba and in charge of its Provisional Government:

The revolution of Cuba, in proclaiming the independence of the country, has proclaimed with it the existence of every liberty, and illy could it accept the grand inconsistency of limiting those liberties to a small one part of the population of the country. Free Cuba is incompatible with enslaved Cuba, and the abolition of Spanish institutions should comprehend and does comprehend necessarily, and for reasons of the highest justice, that of slavery as the most iniquitous of all. As such, its abolition is declared among other principles proclaimed in the first manifesto of the revolution. The question resolved in the minds of all truly liberal Cubans, its absolute realization must be the first of those acts in the execution of which the country makes use of its conquered rights.

Its realization as a general measure can be effected only by the country, when, in ample exercise of those rights, it may, by means of free suffrage, decide as to the best means of accomplishing it with real advantage to the old as well as to the new citizens.

In the exercise of the faculties with which I am invested, I have resolved that, for the present, and until other measures are decided on by the country, the following articles shall be observed:

1. Those slaves are declared free whose owners present them at once with their orders to the military chiefs, and who, considering marrying to themselves, should they desire it, the right of receiving the indemnity that the nation may decree and fixed at a higher figure than that paid for those who may emancipate their slaves later. To this end certificates will be furnished to the proprietors.

2. These franchisos will, for the present, be utilized in the service of the country, in the manner that may be resolved on.

3. To this effect a commission will be appointed, who will see to furnishing them with convenient employment, in conformity with a regulation to be made out hereafter.

4. In other cases than those provided for above, they will continue working the slaves of loyal Cubans, and those of the Spaniards and other neutral foreigners, in accordance with the respect due the rights of property, proclaimed by the revolution.

5. The slaves of those persons convicted of being enemies to the country, and openly hostile to the revolution, will be confiscated like their other property, and declared free—their owners having no right to indemnity—the freedmen to be used in the service of the country, in the manner already prescribed.

6. Those proprietors who furnish their slaves for the service of the revolution without giving them their liberty at present, will retain their property until action is taken with respect to slavery in general.

7. The slaves of the patriots who present themselves to the Cuban authorities will at once be declared free, with the right to live among us or to continue in their mountain villages, recognizing and respecting the Government of the revolution.

9. Those blockled runaways that may be captured, or those who without the consent of their owners shall present themselves to the authorities or military chiefs, will not be accepted without previous consulting with and a report from the authorities of by this Government in conformity with the dispositions of the foregoing decree.

Country and Liberty.

CARLOS MANUEL DE CESPEDES.

BAYAMO, Dec. 27, 1868.

To form the commission referred to in the above decree, the following citizens are appointed: Francisco Y. Aguilera, Jorge Tellez, Jorge (d) Moncada, Manuel Rico, José Julio Ballerna Saavedra, José Joaquin Palma (Gen.), Bernardo Fuguendo, and José A. Tejeda.

This Commission must be constituted the 5th of January coming, and elect from their body at their first session a President and Secretary. The Commission will at once frame the necessary regulations and organize still earlier the system of providing employment for and securing the distribution and maintenance of the freedmen who may be entitled to the Commission.

The presence of six members will suffice to give effect to their acts, and constitute a quorum.

CARLOS MANUEL DE CESPEDES.

BAYAMO, Dec. 27, 1868.

MEETING OF THE REVOLUTIONARY JUNTA.

The Revolutionary Junta in session in this city last Wednesday held a general consultation to take into consideration the steps to be pursued in view of the new liberties and privileges granted by the Captain-General. After a considerable debate it was resolved to accept nothing whatever until CESPEDES was heard from. Should the latter consent—a thing by the way very improbable—to agree to terms of compromise, then all will be well; if not, the plan to be adopted by the revolutionary party here is to totally abstain from all participation in the political affairs of the country as existing under Spanish auspices, and to continue a desperate struggle for independence uncompromised and absolute. In reviewing the situation as it now presents itself, the Revolutionists certainly possess more real hopes of success than ever before, but the very extraordinary tactics displayed by them in confining themselves to the Eastern Department instead of generalizing the revolution from Cape Maisi to Cape San Antonio, seems to be a policy of very questionable wisdom. Whether their plan of campaign is to drawall the available forces of the Spaniards far away from their real base of operations at Havana, and then march up through the centre of the island unopposed by the defenders of Spanish honor and the heroes of Cadis and Alcolea, is yet only a matter of conjecture. That the revolutionary leaders are possessed of considerable talent, nobody will for a moment attempt to deny, even if they are unable to understand the singular conduct of the Revolutionary Government at Bayamo, displayed in the military movements lately inaugurated under its auspices. To time only, however, shall we be indebted for any unfolding of the schemes of the leaders of the revolution for the successful attainment of Cuban independence.

SHIPWRECK.

The schooner *G. W. Dyer* collided with the steamer *Misiones* on the night of the 9th inst. off Abacoon, during a dense fog and strong southerly winds. Boats were lowered and the crew—except one man whom it was impossible to find, and who drowned immediately after the disaster took place—were taken safe aboard and brought here. The *Misiones* stood for more than two hours near the *G. W. Dyer*, which is supposed to have sunk soon after the crew abandoned her. The crew consists of the Captain, pilot and three men. QUASSIMODO.

AMUSEMENTS.

Theatrical.

THE TAMMANY.

The management here are constantly introducing something new into their entertainment, and proving, for the benefit of their patrons, that nothing is so varying as variety. Last evening Mlle. MARIETTA RAMPERETTA, who made the acquaintance of the New-York public several years ago, in a Revel pantomime, appeared at the Tammany in a performance on the tight rope. She supplied the place in the programme until recently occupied by Mlle. SENSIER's exercises upon the trapeze. On Monday other additions are to be made to the entertainments. Prof. BIRLEY's troupe of Japanese acrobats are to be introduced—but what portion they are to substitute we did not hear. The Japanese are not strangers, nor is Mlle. RAMPERETTA's performance a novelty, but both attract the admirers of muscular accomplishments, and are tolerable. The only point of failure, in fact, that we detect at present, about the new place of entertainment, is the failure to bring forward novelties; the performers and their performances are all interesting enough, but they fail to satisfy the craving for that which is new!

MATINEES TO-DAY.

Matinées will be given to-day at the Broadway Theatre, (farewell of the WILLIAMSES and of "The Emerald Ring,") at the New-York Theatre, at the Olympic, (the last of the original "Humpty Dumpty,") at the Bowery Theatre, at Wood's Museum, (last but one of "Irion," and the Lydia Thompson Troupe,) and at the New-York Circus.

Musical.

IRVING HALL.

A complimentary concert will be given to Mr. C. HERZ, the well-known tenor, at this establishment to-night. Miss ANNIE BELDEN, a soprano from Buffalo, will make her *début* on the occasion. Mr. HERZ will be assisted by several estimable artists. The occasion promises to be one of interest.

UNION LEAGUE CLUB THEATRE.

Mme. AUGUSTE VON BARENDORF, the celebrated German soprano, will appear at this establishment to-night in SCRIBE's comedy of "Ein Glass Wasser," sustaining the character of the *Duchess of Marlborough*. The lady will be supported by Mme. STROLSCH-FUCHS as Queen *Anne*, and Herr ZEUDERSKY as *Bolingbroke*.

OPERA BOUFFE.

There will be matinées of "La Perichole" to-day at the Grand Opera House, and of "L'Oeil Crevé" at the Theatre Français. Both works are too well known to need comment.

SUNDAY CONCERT.

Mr. THEODORE THOMAS will give his ninth Sunday Concert at Steinway Hall to-morrow evening. The soloists assisting on the occasion are Mlle. JOSEF HOFER, prima donna soprano from the Royal Opera Munich, (her first appearance in this country,) and Mr. J. E. HAYES, (pianist. The orchestral numbers represent MENDELSSOHN, SCHUBERT, WAGNER, ROSSINI, VON TAUS and LISZT. Altogether the programme is more than commonly attractive.

Reading by Prof. Robert Raymond.

Prof. RAYMOND gave one of his inimitable Shakespearean readings, last evening, before a large and appreciative audience, at the Union League Club Theatre. During the intermission Mme. VANIAN sung a ballad, and the Professor closed by a humorous selection from SAMUEL LOVER. The "Helping Hand Association," for whose benefit the entertainment was gotten up, is a society of ladies, designed to improve the condition of the poor women of our City by teaching them to help themselves by homes labor. It corresponds somewhat to the Mission School work, with the exception that for the children of the poor—its special aim being the instruction and moral improvement of the mothers of these children. Three hours of every week are devoted to teaching the women to sew upon garments, which, when completed, are given to them as a reward for their industry, or, if they prefer, receive their equivalent in provisions. The last half hour of each session is devoted to religious instruction, and addresses by clergymen of different denominations.

The public are cordially invited to visit the rooms, No. 160 West Twenty-ninth-street, any Friday afternoon, between the hours of 2 and 5.

PERSONAL.

Col. AUGUSTIN CASTELLANOS, Col. RICARDO PIMENTEL, Capt. LORENZO JIMENEZ, Capt. ANZIANO TEJOS, Capt. JOSE ANTONIO GUTERA, of the Insurgent ARMY of Cuba, arrived by the steamer *Shore and Stripe* at Philadelphia yesterday morning, and were met and escorted to New-York by Rev. R. C. S. MCKENZIE, of Yale College, and Dr. H. T. HELMBOLD, of New-York. They are stopping at the Metropolitan Hotel.

Ex-Gov. WISE has published his third letter in opposition to the new Conservative movement in Virginia. He says that he has not yet discovered exactly what the Committee have done, or proposed to do or are doing; he will do so in his next, for he is not yet done with what they are doing, and don't know that he shall be while life lasts. The surrender at Appomattox, he adds, was bad enough, but this surrender is worse.

Rev. Dr. WARREN, for ten years Editing Secretary of the American Tract Society in Boston, has resigned his position for the purpose of engaging in the book business in that city.

Hon. S. W. WARE, of Petersburg, formerly Judge of the County of Somerset, died at his residence on Wednesday afternoon, aged 74 years.

Gov. J. B. Page, of Vermont, and Hon. H. L. Ferniss, of Connecticut, are at the St. Nicholas Hotel. Ex-Gov. Seymour, of New-York, is at the New-York Hotel. Gen. H. Ohlendorf, of Oregon, and Hon. J. H. Kemper, of Albany, are at the Metropolitan Hotel. Gen. De Gorcoles, of Brazil, is at the Westminster Hotel. Paymaster E. Bellows, of the United States Navy, is at the Everett House. Capt. Bridges, of the British Army, is at the Albermarle Hotel. Hon. J. R. Kelly, of Groton Falls, is at the St. James Hotel.

GEN. GRANT.

His Visit to Baltimore—How He is Entertained.

BALTIMORE, Friday, Jan. 22.

Gen. GRANT's second day in Baltimore in attendance on the session of the Board of Trustees of the Peabody fund, passed with most remarkable quiet, and he was unusually successful in his efforts to obtain from ostentatious display. As was the case yesterday, he so arranged the day's programme that he appeared to be present merely in his capacity as one of the leading trustees and received the attentions of his admirers subsequent to the meeting of the Board with his characteristic modesty. His time has been mainly occupied to-day in visiting the factories from Works and other points of interest in the city. He was accompanied by Gens. COLDSTOCK and DAVY, of his staff, Bishop MCILVAINE and a few other prominent persons. To-night he is the lion of the occasion at a private and most brilliant party given in his honor by his host, Mr. ALBERT. The beauty and fashion of the Monumental City is gathering there to do him honors. Although the affair is quite private, and Mr. ALBERT is a Radical of the strictest sect, political differences seem to have been ignored to a great extent, and among the guests are to be found a number of ex-rebel soldiers and their relatives and sympathizers. Among the ladies present were Mrs. and Miss CRAFORD, of Massachusetts; Mrs. FARRAGUT, Mrs. RUSSE, Mrs. PEABODY BUSSELL, Mrs. and Miss EVERETT, Miss MCILVAINE, Mme. A. D. BIONMAN, of Washington; Mrs. V. MACLAINTEE, of Pennsylvania, and Mrs. THOMAS J. HUTCHINS, of Baltimore, the latter of whom, during the war, figured prominently as a State prisoner.

To-morrow the General holds a public reception at Barnum's Hotel, and returns to Washington in the evening train.

The trustees of the Peabody Fund to-day enjoyed the hospitality of Gov. CLAYCORD at a fashionable dinner at the Mount Vernon. Previous to the party at Mr. ALBERT's, a select reception was held at the residence of J. J. STEWARD, on Saratoga-street, which was attended by BLAGDEN BEY, Gen. BIRAM WALBRIDGE and others, all of whom at a later hour paid their respects to the General at Mr. ALBERT's. Early in the evening the trustees, including Gen. GRANT and Admiral FARRAGUT, were entertained with a concert at the Peabody Institute, given under the auspices of the musical department of the institution.

KEROSENE OIL.

Interesting Report of Prof. Chandler on the Comparative Danger of Kerosene Lamps—The Results of Various Experiments—Recommendations to the Board of Health.

Prof. C. F. CHANDLER, the Analytical Chemist of the Metropolitan Board of Health, has submitted the following report on kerosene oils and lamps, which will be read with interest:

In continuing the investigation with regard to dangerous kerosene it was considered a matter of importance to ascertain the temperature to which the oil is heated in the lamps while they are burning—as a knowledge of this point is obviously a preliminary to the establishment of a proper standard for safe oil. To this end twenty-three different lamps were purchased, such as are commonly sold in the Metropolitan District—eleven were of metal, mostly brass; twelve were of glass. These were all filled with the same oil, and allowed to burn for seven hours. The temperature of the oil in each lamp being determined at the end of one, two, four and seven hours. The temperature of the room was nearly constant during the experiment, varying from 73° to 74° Fahrenheit. The range of temperature observed was from 76° to 100° Fahrenheit, the highest temperature of 100° Fahrenheit having been reached in a brass lamp at the end of the first hour. That this is an exceptionally high temperature is proved by the fact that the highest temperature reached in any other lamp was 92° Fahrenheit. The temperature in the eleven metal lamps varied from 76° to 98° Fahrenheit, the average being 81° Fahrenheit. The average temperature of all the observations on all the lamps was 88° Fahrenheit. I do not consider these experiments to have established any claim to superior safety on the part of glass lamps, on the contrary, the greater liability to fracture fully counterbalances the slightest difference in the heating of the oil. The comparative safety of the different lamps in use can only be determined by an elaborate series of experiments which is beyond the scope of the present communication. Moreover, if the results of kerosene are compelled by the Board of Health to sell safe oil, the comparative safety of different lamps will be of little consequence.

EXPERIMENTS ON THE TEMPERATURE OF OIL IN BURNING LAMPS.

No.	Kind of Lamp.	Temperature of Oil, Degrees Fahrenheit.				
		Room.	At end of 1 hour.	At end of 2 hours.	At end of 4 hours.	At end of 7 hours.
1.	Brass hand	8	97	98	98	98
2.	Brass hand	24	77	83	84	82
3.	Glass stand	7	77	81	80	79
4.	Glass stand	11	77	83	84	80
5.	Glass stand	10	77	79	79	79
6.	Glass stand	11	77	80	80	80
7.	Glass stand	11	77	80	80	80
8.	Glass hand	9	77	79	80	80
9.	Glass hand	9	77	80	80	80
10.	Glass hand	9	77	80	80	80
11.	Glass pendant	13	77	81	84	80
12.	Glass stand	10	77	81	79	79
13.	Brass stand	11	77	81	79	79
14.	Tin lantern	9	77	81	80	80
15.	Glass bracket	12	77	82	84	80
16.	Glass stand	20	77	81	80	81
17.	Brass pendent	11	77	80	80	80
18.	Brass stand	14	80	86	87	86
19.	Brass stand	13	80	86	87	86
20.	Metal stand	12	81	87	87	86
21.	Brass stand	12	81	87	86	86
22.	Bronze stand	14	80	86	86	86
23.	Glass hand	6	79	84	83	80

These experiments prove that in the lamps generally used in the Metropolitan District, the temperature does not often rise above 80° Fahrenheit, and that an oil which does not evolve no explosive vapor below 100° Fahrenheit, and does not take fire itself below 110° Fahrenheit, is perfectly safe. I would therefore respectfully recommend that in making laws to regulate the sale of kerosene oil in the Metropolitan District, the Board fix 100° Fahrenheit for the vaporing point, 110° Fahrenheit for the burning point of safe oil, and permit none to be sold which fails below this standard.

The report will probably be acted upon at the next meeting of the Board of Health, on Monday, the 25th inst.

Balls Last Evening.

Among the many organizations of a social character in this City is the Sligo Young Men's Association, which is now in the sixteenth year of its existence, and which gave its sixteenth annual ball at Apollo Hall, Broadway and Twenty-eighth-street, last evening. This Association, as its name imports, is composed of young Irish gentlemen who first saw the light in the County of Sligo and its vicinity. It numbers upward of fifty members. Its reunion last evening was a well gotten up affair, and very largely attended, the participants being all present by invitation. The National Band furnished the music, and the attendants paid their devotion to Terpsichore most earnestly until an early hour this morning. This association gives also a yearly pic-nic, which invariably attracts a large number of those who hail from Sligo, and their friends of both sexes.

The Lyric Club, an organization small in numbers, but very select as to the status of its members, gave its third annual soiree at Lyric Hall, last evening. The attendance on the occasion was numerous, and for three hours "giant the twal," the ladies and gentlemen who participated in the supper, chorus's, waltzes, mazurkas, galops and schottishes formed the "order" of this social concourse, the quadrille being very generally eschewed. In these round dances many of the participants gave evidence of great proficiency, and seemingly entered into them with decided zest. The whole affair was under the direction of Messrs. GERMAN W. BRENCK, WM. ARNOLD, J. H. BRENNAN, E. F. DEVOE, Jr., and C. G. BLACK, the Floor Committee, and gave satisfaction to all who were present. The Lyrics will give their annual moonlight excursion, as usual, this Summer.

The second annual ball of the Prince of Orange Lodge No. 296, of the Loyal Orange Association of America, took place at the Everett Rooms, last evening. The Orangemen of this City and their friends, male and female, were present in strong force, and enjoyed themselves by dancing until an early hour this morning. Twenty-eight dances were on the "tapis," which was strictly followed. Twyford's band supplying the "sweet sounds" for the occasion. The members of the Lodge were decked out in full regalia, and over the musicians' platform was suspended the beautiful silken banner of the Lodge, bearing a pictorial representation of WILLIAM, Prince of Orange, at the famous battle of the Boyne.

The first annual ball of the association formed by the Post Office letter carriers of Stations C, D, E and O, came off last night at Irving Hall, and was well attended. A peculiar feature of the assemblage was the large number of gentlemen perambulate who had but one arm. They were veterans of the war. Their sleeveless arms pacified coughes of envy in robust patriots. They belying a the stability of the land, and their knees not their pride. Among the dancers there was much beauty and considerable taste in costume. The dancing was prolonged far into the morning hours.

The Ladies' Union Aid Society of the M. E. Church.

The annual meeting of this Society was held yesterday at the Old Ladies' Home, in Forty-second-street, between Seventh and Eighth avenues. The chapel of the Home was crowded. The proceedings opened with religious services, after which the annual reports were read. The Recording Secretary's and the Treasurer's reports exhibited the following items:

Cash on hand July 1, 1868, $12,686 79. Receipts—Annual subscriptions, $2,650; donations, $2,358 96; stewards, $536 50; collections, $595 45; legacies, $596 85; interest, $583 26; donation visit, November, $242 25; legacies, $6,336 85; premium on bonds, $1,469 60; Common Council donation, $5,000; strawberry festival, $668; house rent, $1,469 75. Total—$36,688 22. Expenses—$30,183 11. Balance on hand—$5,505 94.

The Society contains a house and lot adjoining the "Home," which they intend to fit up for aged men. But meantime they have rented it and received rents from the above income. The household table expenses amounted to $6,601 22, and the other expenditures were divided up between the necessary repairs, insurance, salaries, &c.

The Executive Committee's report stated that the family of the "Home" consisted of 78 persons, seven of whom exchanged the temporal for an eternal home. Their age average seven numbered 617 years, and the average 74 years. The youngest was 47, and the oldest 98 years old. There remain 71 persons now in the Home, including the venerable mother of Abe WILKINS, the first Methodist Missionary to Africa, now in her 84th year, and the 64th of her Church membership. Nearly half of the inmates are unable to leave their rooms owing to the infirmities of age.

Appropriate eulogies were pronounced upon the first and memories of the departed, and also upon the late Sarah HALLOCK, Esq., whose warm hearts and liberal purse were always enlisted in the interest of the Home.

His favorite hymn

"I hear the Savior say—
Thy strength indeed is small,"—

was sung amid deep feeling, to the tune of

"Jesus paid it all."

An address was delivered by Rev. Mr. HERSHEY, upon "The Good and Useful Life." He pointed out how a life might be useful without being good, and then showed how goodness and usefulness spring solely from a sanctified heart, and then applied his ideas to the objects and works of the institution before them.

Rev. L. H. KING made a few remarks, illustrating the compensating blessings of doing good to others. A Board of 156 managers was then elected, and at the close of the exercises those ladies retired to nominate their officers for the current year.

The Episcopal Sunday School Convention.

These meetings in Grace Chapel show no diminution of interest. The speakers appointed for yesterday evening were Rev. GEORGE F. SEYMOUR, D. D., Dean of the General Theological Seminary; Rev. Dr. WASHBURNE, of Calvary Church, and Rev. Dr. MUHLENBURG, of the Church of the Holy Communion. Their subjects were, respectively, "American Clergymen," "American Laymen" and "American Women." Mr. J. W. SKINNER, Superintendent of the Children's Aid Society, made an address on the work of that organization.

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THE
CONTINENTAL INSURANCE COMPANY
OF NEW-YORK.
OFFICES:
NO. 402 BROADWAY, NEW-YORK,
AND
NO. 189 MONTAGUE-ST., BROOKLYN.
Invites the attention of property owners to the following Unexcelled Advantages of the Combination of Ample Capital (paid up in Cash) of $500,000 on its Surplus of Assets, (Jan. 1, 1869,) $1,546,854 10
Making its Total Cash Assets.....$2,046,854 10

The Company insures against loss by fire, on Buildings, Merchandise, Household Furniture, Rents, Leases, Interest in Leases, and the interest of the owner of all kinds,) Farm property, and all other insurable interests, at reasonable rates of premium.

"THE PARTICIPATION PLAN,"
by which the entire profits of its business are divided, in July of each year, between its customers and stockholders, viz:

THREE-QUARTERS are paid back to customers, in scrip redeemable in the order of its issue, the Company holding a scrip reserve fund equal to the amount of its outstanding scrip; ONE-QUARTER is divided to stockholders, in cash.

As will be seen, the purchaser thus obtains a insurance AT ONE-QUARTER OF THE PREMIUM CHARGED FOR PROTECT HIM, while his security, by the steady increase, renders this Company's policies reliable insurance against the possibility of failure, in case of LARGE CONFLAGRATIONS,—an important point of danger to property owners in large cities.

The Company issues non-participating policies, which do not entitle the holders to participate in the profits,) when the hazards of the risk, as compared with the customary rate, will not justify participation. Such policies are preferred by persons who desire a fixed sum which the system provides, and will be issued at prices as low as experience proves to be adequate to the hazard, and therefore at less than any responsible company can properly accept.

GEORGE T. HOPE, President.
H. B. LAMPORT, Vice-President.
CYRUS PEECE, Secretary.

MERCHANTS' AND MECHANICS' NATIONAL BANK, NEW-YORK, JAN. 20, 1869.—It is hereby given that a vote of the shareholders owning two-thirds of the stock of this Association to go into liquidation and close the business of the Association, and that this Association is closing up its affairs accordingly.

And the holders of the notes of this Association and other creditors thereof are hereby notified to present said notes and other claims against this Association for payment at the banking house of said Association in the City of Troy.

Dated TROY, JAN. 2, 1869.

By order of the Board of Directors.
FER. RIMS, Cashier.

This Bank has reorganized as a State Institution and will continue business as usual, under the name of The Merchants' and Mechanics' Bank of Troy.

SOWLES BROTHERS & CO.,
BANKERS AND COMMISSION MERCHANTS,
NO. 18 RUE DE LA PAIX, PARIS,
No. 19 William-st., New-York.
No. 70 State-st., Boston.
Make advances on American securities and cash purchases on demand. Bills on the United States or England bought and sold. Circular credits cashed.
Letters of Credit in Europe Addressed to our care will be forwarded or delivered.

BRAWS BROTHERS & CO.,
NO. 8 WALL-ST.,
ISSUE COMMERCIAL AND TRAVELERS' CREDITS FOR USE IN THIS COUNTRY AND ABROAD.

AUGUST BELMONT & CO.,
Issue Letters of Credit for travelers' use, on
MESSRS. ROTHSCHILD
in Paris, London, Frankfort-on-the-Main, Vienna, and other correspondents in all principal cities of Europe; also, on their agents in
CALIFORNIA AND EUROPE.

HACKENSACK RAILROAD COMPANY,
BRIDGEPORT, CONN., Jan. 21, 1869.
THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE Stockholders of the Hackensack Railroad Company will be holden at the office of the Company, in Bridgeport, on TUESDAY, Feb. 16, 1869, at 12 o'clock A. M., for the purpose of electing a Board of Directors for the year ensuing.
E. NICHOLS, Secretary.

SHELDEN AND COLUMBIAN COFFEE COMPANY OF MICHIGAN.—A special meeting of the stockholders of the above Company will be held at the office of the Company, No. 79 Wall-st., New-York, on MONDAY, the 1st day of February, 1869, at 12 o'clock M., upon the questions of increasing the capital stock of the Company and of levying further assessments. By order of the Directors.
C. EDWARDS, Secretary.

STOCKS AND BONDS FOR SALE AT NO. 52 WALL-ST.—200 shares Terre Haute and Alton Railroad Stock; $23,000 Indianapolis and Cincinnati Railroad bonds of '87, 7 per cent.; $24,000 Dayton and Michigan Railroad Interest-bearing Scrip; $50,000 Ohio, Indiana and Illinois 1st mortgage 7 per cent. bonds.
J. S. WAINWRIGHT.

PACIFIC RAILROAD OF MISSOURI.—Six per cent. bonds, principle and interest payable in gold, for sale on favorable terms by
E. SLATER & BRO.,
No. 12 Broad-st.

ALL KINDS OF SOUTHERN SECURITIES bought and sold by
LEVY & BRO.,
No. 41 Pine-st.

VIRGINIA, NORTH CAROLINA, SOUTH CAROLINA, Tennessee and Missouri Currency bought and sold.
O'BRIEN BROS., No. 2 Wall-st.

FINANCIAL.

IMPORTANT TO INVESTORS.
GEORGIA 7-PER CENT. BONDS.
ALABAMA 8 PER CENT. BONDS.

We offer for sale a limited amount of the above bonds at prices which yield a better interest than any security, equally safe, that is now offered on the market.

The debt of Alabama is less than.....$3,000,000
The debt of Georgia is less than.....4,000,000

At present prices they pay as follows:
ALABAMA, 8 per cent. interest,
GEORGIA, 7¼ per cent. interest.

The Georgia bonds are secured by a first mortgage on two railroads in that State, worth more than double the amount of the debt.

For full particulars, apply to
HENRY A. HEISER'S SONS,
Bankers and Dealers in Government Securities,
No. 20 Wall-st.

California Pacific Railroad Company.
FIRST MORTGAGE TWENTY-YEAR SEVEN PER CENT.
GOLD BONDS,
PRINCIPAL AND INTEREST PAYABLE IN GOLD COIN.
COUPONS PAYABLE FIRST JANUARY AND JULY, AT NATIONAL PARK BANK, NEW-YORK, FREE OF GOVERNMENT TAX.

THE UNDERSIGNED NOW OFFER FOR SALE A LIMITED NUMBER OF THE ABOVE DESIRABLE BONDS, AT PAR, WITH ACCRUED INTEREST IN CURRENCY.

The total amount of Bonds authorized to be issued is
$2,350,000,
LESS THAN $22,000 PER MILE,
THE LARGER PORTION OF WHICH HAS ALREADY BEEN SOLD.

THESE BONDS ARE SECURED BY A FIRST MORTGAGE ON THE ENTIRE PROPERTY OF THE COMPANY,
including their valuable LANDS, WHARVES AND WATER PRIVILEGES at Vallejo and elsewhere.

Total length of road, 105 miles.

Finished, fully stocked and equipped, and now running from Vallejo to Sacramento, 61 miles.

The monthly earnings on this portion of the road are now nearly three times the monthly interest on the entire issue of bonds.

This road is the most direct route between San Francisco and Sacramento, reducing the time between these two cities to three and one-half hours.

The Marysville line is in process of construction; the grading nearly completed, one-third of the iron on hand, and the balance purchased, shipped, and reported to arrive in February. The road will be completed early in the Spring, and when finished, the net earnings should amount to at least $2,000 (gold) per day.

The road-bed is of most substantial character—permanent, solid and completely ballasted. The iron is of the best quality. The rolling stock and equipment are in every respect first-class.

The country through which this road runs is entirely exempt from either snow, ice or frost, and its agricultural resources surpass those of any portion of the State. Provisions, lumber and other necessary articles are received by us from reliable parties in California, of the great present value and future prospects of this road, we do not hesitate to strongly recommend these securities to our friends and the public as a permanent investment—safe, and in every respect desirable.

Either of the undersigned will receive subscriptions for these Bonds.

Government securities, at market rates, will be taken in exchange for these Bonds.

Circulars, maps and other information can be had on application to either of the undersigned.

TURNER, BROS., No. 14 Nassau, corner Pine-st.
E. D. JESUP & CO., No. 12 Pine-st., or to
DABNEY, MORGAN & CO., No. 53 Exchange-place.

WINSLOW, LANIER & CO.,
BANKERS,
NO. 12 PINE-ST., NEW-YORK,
ISSUE LETTERS OF CREDIT for Travelers' use available in all parts of the world.
GOVERNMENT AND OTHER SECURITIES bought and sold at the Stock Exchange at usual commission.
Interest allowed on deposits.

FOR SALE,
$200,000 FIRST MORTGAGE BONDS
OF THE
CEDAR FALLS AND MINNESOTA RAILROAD CO.,
The only road in Iowa earning 10 per cent. annually.
This road is leased to and operated by the
ILLINOIS CENTRAL RAILROAD COMPANY,
the minimum rental which that Company pays under the lease being sufficient to pay the interest on the entire issue of bonds.
Apply to J. S. KENNEDY & CO.,
No. 52 Broadway.

PACIFIC RAILROAD OF MISSOURI.
Holders of the coupons on Gold-bearing Bonds of the PACIFIC RAILROAD OF MISSOURI, due Feb. 1, 1869, will receive the same at the BANK OF AMERICA, on and after that date for payment in GOLD, free from Government tax.

ROWNEY NATIONAL BANK,
NEW-YORK, Jan. 22, 1869.
AT THE ANNUAL ELECTION FOR DIRECTORS of this Bank, held on the 19th inst., the following gentlemen were duly elected for the ensuing year, viz:
HENRY P. DE GRAAF, WILLIAM S. CLARK,
JOHN SNIFFIN, CHARLES G. BAILEY,
ALBERT DUNN, GEO. M. VAN DERLIP,
WILLIAM M. FOSTER, JOHN INGERSOLL,
JOHN G. ADAMS, WM. H. SANDROW,
LEVI H. MACE, HENRY M. BAILEY,
ANDREW C. BENEDICT, HARMON WAGNER.
JAMES W. DOMINICK.
At a meeting of the Directors held this day HENRY P. DE GRAAF, Esq., was unanimously re-elected President, and ANDREW C. BENEDICT, Esq., was unanimously elected Vice-President.
R. HAMILTON, Cashier.

FOURTH NATIONAL BANK OF THE CITY OF NEW-YORK, NEW-YORK, Jan. 12, 1869.
AT AN ELECTION HELD ON THE 12TH INST., the following-named gentlemen were elected Directors of this Bank for the ensuing year:
EDWIN HOYT, THE. G. CHURCHILL,
JOSEPH STUART, CHARLES R. HOYT,
JOHN W. FERRIN, REMSEN HOYT,
CHARLES L. ANTHONY, GEORGE UPDYKE.
And immediately after the election, C. L. BOLLES, E. F. LEE, and C. F. BELKNAP, Jr., were appointed a committee to count the votes, and the result being announced, Mr. PHILO C. CALHOUN was unanimously re-elected President, and Mr. JOSEPH STUART, Vice-President.
E. SEAMAN, Cashier.

CORN EXCHANGE BANK,
NEW-YORK, Jan. 21, 1869.
NOTICE.—THE PUBLIC AND ALL BANKS are cautioned against receiving a certain check for twenty-five hundred ($2,500) dollars, dated May 1, 1868, drawn on the City Exchange Bank by L. H. SCHORR in favor of OAKLEY, BLAKE & CO., purporting to be certified by said bank, as the liability of said bank is denied.
W. A. FAILS, Cashier.

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE, COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE, NEW-YORK, Dec. 24, 1868.
INTEREST ON CITY STOCKS.—THE INTEREST on the stocks and bonds of the Corporation of the City of New-York, due and payable Feb. 1, 1869, will be paid on that day by FRYER & SWEENEY, Incs., Chamberlain of the City, at his office in the New Court-house.

The transfer books will be closed Tuesday, Jan. 5, 1869.
RICHARD B. CONNOLLY, Comptroller.

A GENTLEMAN WHO IS WELL-KNOWN IN Wall-st., and who can control orders for purchase and sale of stocks, bonds and gold, is desirous of forming a connection with some responsible party who is a member of the Board for the purpose of doing a commission business. Parties willing to put in a few thousand dollars to make the capital, will find concessions are required. Correspondence must be confidential. Address BANKS, Box No. 192 Times office.

WHEREAS, CERTIFICATE NO. 1,234, for 50 (fifty) shares of the preferred stock of the Chicago and Northwestern Railway Company, in the name of Elisha Hatfield, has been lost or mislaid or stopped, and warning given of the same, notice is hereby given that an application has been made to the Company for the issue of a duplicate certificate of the said stock.

THE PUBLIC ARE CAUTIONED AGAINST receiving a certain Illinois Central Railroad Exchange Bank stock certificate, No. 168, with blank power attached, standing in name of John S. Martin, same having been lost and transfer stopped.
JOHN S. MARTIN.

$25,000 ON CITY PROPERTY; NONE BUT FIRST MORTGAGE will be taken. Apply immediately to SHEPHERD & PARKER, No. 102 Broadway.

FOR SALE—200 SHARES CAPITAL STOCK of the Pacific Railroad Company. Apply to WM. A. GUEST, No. 25 Wall-st.

AUCTION SALES.

70TH AUCTION SALE
OF
SCRANTON COAL,
ON WEDNESDAY, JAN. 27, 1869.

The Delaware, Lackawanna and Western Railroad Company will sell, by Messrs. JOHN M. DRAPER & CO., Auctioneers, at the Company's salesroom, No. 10 Exchange-place, New-York, on WEDNESDAY, Jan. 27, at 12 o'clock noon,
60,000 TONS
OF COAL, from the Lackawanna regions, deliverable at their depot, Hoboken, N. J., during February, 1869.
SAMUEL SLOAN, President.

HENRY H. LEDDE, Auctioneer.
BY HENRY H. LEDDE & MINER—ON THURSDAY and FRIDAY, Jan. 28 and 29, at the Leeds Art Galleries, Nos. 817 and 819 Broadway, southwest corner 30th-st.
CONTRIBUTORS' SALE OF CHOICE ANCIENT AND MODERN OIL-PAINTINGS,
Embracing the works of, viz.:

W. HOLMGREN,	MORGHEN,
WILLIAMS,	GIGNOUX,
BECKETT,	LAURENS,
W. H. ODDIE,	W. HAES,
J. H. HALL,	OUDYNEGRAM,
GIGNOUX,	MARIGNON,
G. H. MCCORD,	And others.

The above will be on exhibition on and after Monday, 25th inst., when catalogues will be ready.

LEAVITT, SHERMERHORN & CO., AUCTIONEERS.
THEOLOGICAL LIBRARY AT AUCTION.—Chess Hall Salerooms and Art Galleries (Astor-place), NEW-YORK, SHERMERHORN & CO. Auctioneers, on MONDAY EVENING, and following evenings, at 7 o'clock, the private library of Rev. Wm. Jay Schieffelin, Rector of Grace Church, Jamaica, L. I., embracing an extensive and valuable collection of theological works, including the editions of the most celebrated English and American divines, along with a few choice and also valuable illustrated and miscellaneous books. Catalogues ready and cabinets on exhibition.

ROBERT SOMERVILLE, Auctioneer, Salesroom No. 37 Nassau-st., near Wall-st.
FINE CHROMOS, ENGLISH ENGRAVINGS, OIL-PAINTINGS, &c.
ROBERT SOMERVILLE will sell THIS DAY, AT 7 o'clock, at his salesroom, No. 37 Nassau-st., a fine assortment of French, English and American chromos, engravings, oil-paintings, &c.

AUCTION SALES.

ADRIAN H. MULLER, AUCTIONEER.
PEREMPTORY SALE OF 400 LOTS,
PART OF,
The Morris-Stebbins Tract.

ADRIAN H. MULLER, P. R. WILKINS & CO. will sell at auction, on THURSDAY, Jan. 28, 1869, at 12 o'clock M., at the Exchange Salesroom, No. 111 Broadway, New-York,
400 VALUABLE BUILDING LOTS,
SITUATE ON
The Grand Central Avenue,
a continuation of the 7th and 8th-av. Boulevard, about three-quarters of a mile from Harlem Bridge, in Westchester County, on a line with 125th-st., and about 1,100 feet from the Morrisania and Melrose Stations on the Harlem Railroad, and one-quarter of a mile from Fordham horse cars, making the property accessible at all hours of day or night.

It is now proposed to place this portion of Westchester County under the charge of the
CENTRAL PARK COMMISSIONERS.

This property thus situated offers unusual inducements, either as an investment or for the purpose of creating suburban residence, combining the advantage of city and country.

Maps at the office of the auctioneers, No. 7 Pine-st.

ADRIAN H. MULLER, Auctioneer.
PEREMPTORY SALE OF VALUABLE Improved property, on Amity, West 19th and 46th sts., and on 7th-av., near Broadway; also lots on 10th-av. and 42d-st. By order of the undersigned executors and devisees of THOMAS W. THORNE, deceased.

ADRIAN H. MULLER, P. R. WILKINS & CO. will sell at auction, on
TUESDAY, JAN. 26,
at 12 o'clock, at the Exchange Salesroom, No. 111 Broadway:

AMITY-ST.—The two lots of land, with the brick and frame buildings thereon, situate on north side of Amity-st., between 6th-av. and Macdougal-st., and known as Nos. 117 and 119. Lots each about 25x100 feet.

WEST 19TH-ST.—The first-class three-story brownstone house and lot, situate on the northerly side of 19th-st., between 5th and 6th-avs., and known as No. 16. The house is 21.8x34 feet, has all modern improvements and is in good order. Lot 25 feet in depth.

7TH-AV.—Five four-story brick houses and lots, situate on the easterly side of 7th-av., commencing on the northeast corner of 45th-st., Nos. 488, 490, 492, 494 and 497 7th-av. Houses contain modern improvements.

WEST 42D-ST.—Two four-story brick dwelling-houses and lots on north side of 42d-st., commencing 87 feet east of 9th-av., and adjoining the last-described property, known as Nos. 119 and 117.

42D-ST.—Three vacant lots on the south side of 42d-st., commencing 100 feet west of 10th-av., each 25x100 feet.

10TH-AV.—Four lots situate on the west side of 10th-av., commencing on the southwest corner of 46th-st., each 25.11x100 feet.

Sixty per cent of the purchase money may remain on bond and mortgage.
WILLIAM S. THORNE,
JOHN W. THORNE,
THOMAS W. THORNE,
CHARLES R. THORNE.

Maps at the office of the Auctioneers, No. 7 Pine-st., New-York.

ADRIAN H. MULLER, Auctioneer.
PEREMPTORY CASH SALE OF choice lots on the new RIVER SIDE PARKS.
A. R. MULLER, P. R. WILKINS & CO. WILL SELL AT AUCTION, ON TUESDAY, JAN. 26, at 12 o'clock, AT THE EXCHANGE SALESROOM, NO. 111 BROADWAY:
FOUR CHOICE LOTS, near the Parks, and commanding views of great beauty.
Maps now ready at the office of the auctioneers.

ADRIAN H. MULLER, AUCTIONEER.
VALUABLE LOTS ON 4TH AND 8TH AVS., 13TH-ST., 100TH-ST. AND 10TH-ST., AT AUCTION.
ADRIAN H. MULLER, P. R. WILKINS & CO. will sell at auction, on TUESDAY, JAN. 26, 1869, at 12 o'clock, at the Exchange Salesroom, No. 111 Broadway:
4TH-AV.—Three lots west side 4th-av., 25.3 by 100 feet, each 25.3 by 93 feet.
13TH-ST.—Four lots north side 13th-st., 100 feet east of 4th-av., each 25 by 103.11.
10TH-ST.—Four lots north side 10th-st., 100 feet east of 8th-av., each 25 by 103.11.
8TH-AV.—Three lots west side 8th-av., 25.3 by 100 feet.
100TH-ST.—Four lots north side 100th-st., 100 feet east of 8th-av., each 25 by 100.11.
100TH-ST.—Four lots south side 100th-st., 40 feet west of 8th-av., each 25 by 100.11.

ADRIAN H. MULLER, Auctioneer.
TRUSTEE'S SALE OF STORE, AND LEASE OF LOT NO. 8 CHAMBERS-ST.
ADRIAN H. MULLER, P. R. WILKINS & CO. will sell at auction, on MONDAY, Jan. 25, at 12 o'clock, at the Exchange Salesroom, No. 111 Broadway, by order of the Trustee in Bankruptcy:
CHAMBERS-ST.—The four-story, brown-stone front store and lease of lot No. 8 Chambers-st., between Broadway and Churchen. The lease is from Green Ward, Esq., to expire on the 1st of May next, and renewable. Present term expires May 1, 1869; lease contains covenants of renewal for 21 years at appraised rent, or for renewal for 21 years at 6 per cent. The property is rented to May 1, 1869, at $3,700 per annum, payable monthly in advance. Lot 22x75 feet.
Maps and particulars at the office of the auctioneers, No. 7 Pine-st.

GEORGE COOK, Auctioneer.
HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, OFFICE Furniture, pianos, safes, plated ware, &c.—THIS DAY, at 11 o'clock, at No. 101 Liberty-st., a large and varied stock of goods received for convenience of sale, which will be absolute. Catalogues at sale.

INSTRUCTION.

REV. GEO. C. ASTRON'S
CLASSICAL FRENCH AND ENGLISH SCHOOL,
With Primary Department and Gymnasium,
No. 22 and 24 4th-st.

MOUNT WASHINGTON COLLEGIATE INSTITUTE.—Classical, Commercial, English, French and German, No. 49 South Washington-square. GEORGE W. CLARKE, A. M., Principal. Fifty pupils of all ages for business or college on reasonable terms. With the average of fifteen pupils to the teacher, students will come out of this Institute in two years' less time with a better character and a better education than from the public schools.

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Is a reliable and practical Educational Bureau.
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BOARDING SCHOOL FOR BOYS
DANBURY, CONN.
E. J. JACKSON, Principal.

L'ESPIRASSE FRENCH INSTITUTE, Washington Heights, NEW-YORK.—Thoroughness in the teaching of the French language of the school; graduating courses for the modern languages, mathematics and business. Circulars, L'ESPIRASSE, No. 2 Stuyvesant-st., and G. L'ESPIRASSE, No. 16 John-st., Sun Office.

DREW LADIES' SEMINARY, CARMEL, N. Y.—Spring session of 14 weeks begins Feb. 16. Superior advantages in all departments. Spacious grounds, carpeted and neatly furnished; steam and gas light; rates reasonable. GEO. C. SMITH.

BOOK-KEEPING, WRITING, &c., FOR BUSINESS.—Messrs. DOLBEAR, No. 659 Broadway, teach practical business penmanship in two lessons; also, ornamental or business writing, and make elegant business penmen.

SPRINGSIDE SCHOOL FOR BOYS—AT Pittsfield, Mass. Spring Term opens Feb. 16. Fifty-second year. Address the Principals.

IRVING INSTITUTE, TARRYTOWN, N. Y.—A Boarding School for Boys; pupils received at any time. For circulars apply to D. S. TOWNE, A. M., Principal.

MISS E. J. MACKIE'S FAMILY SCHOOL for young ladies, of Newburgh, N. Y.—The semi-annual term begins Feb. 2. For circulars, address the Principal.

GOLDEN HILL SEMINARY FOR YOUNG Ladies, Bridgeport, Conn. For circulars, address the principal, Miss EMILY BALLOU.

MAPLE HALL FEMALE SEMINARY, Jamaica, L. I.—Second term opens Feb. 1. P. ARDREU.

THE MISSES BUCKSALL'S ENGLISH and FRENCH Boarding School for young ladies, New-Brunswick, N. J.

TEACHERS.

INSTRUCTION.—A YOUNG LADY, A MEMber of the school of Design, will give instruction to a few more pupils, at their homes, in drawing and water colors. Address A. D., Box Post Office Box No. 1,133, New-York.

TEACHERS.—AN EXPERIENCED TEACHER wishes to make an engagement either in a school or private family, as teacher of the English branches. Address A. G., Brooklyn Post Office.

WANTED—A TEACHER OF ENGLISH IN A school for young boys. Apply at No. 24 East 14th-st., before 10 o'clock Saturday or Monday.

THE AMERICAN PAPER BAG COMPANY, 52 IN Washington-st., manufacture all sizes of superior quality paper bags, and offer them, by the ton or in smaller quantities, at the lowest cash prices.

DIVIDENDS.

OFFICE OF MANHATTAN INSURANCE COMPANY, No. 68 WALL-ST., NEW-YORK, Jan. 14, 1869.
THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS HAVE this day declared a semi-annual dividend of 4 per cent., payable on demand.
GEO. S. HODGSDON, Secretary.

DIVIDEND NOTICE.
PHILADELPHIA AND READING RAILROAD CO., OFFICE NO. 227 SOUTH SIXTH-ST., PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 30, 1868.
The transfer books of this Company will be closed on the 4th of January next, and be reopened on TUESDAY, Jan. 12.
A dividend of Five per Cent. has been declared on the preferred and common stock, clear of National and State taxes, payable in common stock, on and after Jan. 20, 1869, to the holders thereof, as they shall stand registered on the books of the Company on the 4th of January next. All payable at the Company's office, in this city.
All orders for dividends must be witnessed and stamped.
S. BRADBURD, Treasurer.

TWENTY-THIRD DIVIDEND.
OFFICE BEEKMAN FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, No. 172 BROADWAY, CORNER MAIDEN-LANE, NEW-YORK, Jan. 14, 1869.
The Board of Directors have this day declared a semi-annual dividend of Five per cent., free from Government tax, payable on demand, the 18th inst. Transfer books closed from 20th inst. to 1st prox.
CHAS. H. ROSES, Secretary.

THIRTY-SEVENTH DIVIDEND.
NIAGARA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, NEW-YORK, Jan. 20, 1869.
The Directors have this day declared a semi-annual Dividend of FIVE per Cent., payable on demand, free of United States tax.
HENRY KIP, Secretary.

THIRTIETH DIVIDEND.
OFFICE OF THE IRVING FIRE INSURANCE CO., NEW-YORK, Jan. 20, 1869.
The Board of Directors have this day declared a semi-annual dividend of Five per Cent. and the Government tax, payable on demand.
JAMES M. WILSON, Secretary.

THE MICHIGAN SOUTHERN AND NORTHERN INDIANA RAILROAD CO., OFFICE NO. 10 WALL-ST., NEW-YORK, Jan. 16, 1869.
A DIVIDEND OF FOUR PER CENT. (Coupons of Mortgage Bonds Exc.) will be paid upon the common stock of this Company on the 15th February next, to the stockholders of record on the books of the company on the 2d inst.
The transfer books for the common stock will be closed on Saturday, the 30th inst., at 3 P. M., and reopened on Tuesday, the 2d inst., at 10 A. M.
D. T. BARNUM, Treasurer.

OFFICE OF THE PACIFIC MUTUAL INSURANCE CO., NO. 110 EDWARD-STREET, NEW-YORK, Jan. 16, 1869.
A SCRIP DIVIDEND OF FORTY PER CENT. (40 per cent.) on the premiums received during the past year, has been declared, for which certificates will be issued April 6.
Six per Cent. interest on all outstanding scrip will be paid on and after Feb. 2, at which date also the new standing certificates of this Company, of the issue of 1864, will be redeemed in cash.
THOMAS HALE, Secretary.

CLEVELAND, COLUMBUS, CINCINNATI AND INDIANAPOLIS RAILWAY COMPANY, CLEVELAND, Ohio, Jan. 16, 1869.
A SEMI-ANNUAL DIVIDEND OF THREE and a Half Cent. (3½ per cent.) on the capital stock of this company, payable Feb. 1, 1869, free of Government tax, to stockholders holding certificates issued 45 New-York will be paid at the office of the United States Trust Company of New-York, in the City of New-York.
The transfer books will be closed from the evening of Jan. 16 until Feb. 1.
By order of the Board of Directors.
GEO. H. RUSSELL, Treasurer.

CLINTON FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, OFFICE NO. 146 BROADWAY, NEW-YORK, Jan. 20, 1869.
THIRTY-FOURTH DIVIDEND.—THE Board of Directors of this Company have declared a semi-annual dividend of Five per cent., free of Government tax, payable on 15th inst.
WASHINGTON POST, Jr., Acting Secretary.

NEW-JERSEY RAILROAD AND TRANSPORTATION COMPANY, OFFICE NO. 143 BROADWAY, NEW-YORK, Jan. 12, 1869.
DIVIDEND.—A SEMI-ANNUAL DIVIDEND of FIVE PER CENT., free from Government tax, has this day been declared, payable on and after 1st of February next.
Transfer books will remain closed until 20 of February.
H. J. SOUTHMAYD, Treasurer.

BUFFALO AND ERIE RAILROAD COMPANY, TREASURER'S OFFICE, BUFFALO, Jan. 14, 1869.
THE DIRECTORS OF THIS COMPANY have declared a cash dividend of Four per Cent., free of Government tax, payable at the office of the Farmers' Loan and Trust Company on and after the 1st day of February next. The transfer books will be closed on the 21st inst., and reopen 1st February next.
GEO. CHAMBERLAIN, Treasurer.

OFFICE OF THE ARCTIC FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF NEW-YORK, NEW-YORK, Jan. 12, 1869.
THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS HAVE THIS DAY declared a semi-annual dividend of Five per Cent., free of Government tax, payable to the stockholders or their legal representatives on demand.
CHARLES DARBOROUGH, Secretary.

OFFICE OF THE AMERICAN EXCHANGE FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, NEW-YORK, Jan. 12, 1869.
THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS HAVE THIS DAY declared a semi-annual Dividend of Five Per Cent., free of Government tax, payable on demand.
WM. J. HUGHES, Secretary.

OFFICE OF THE HUMBOLDT FIRE INSURANCE CO., NO. 146 BROADWAY, NEW-YORK, Jan. 12, 1869.
AT A MEETING OF THE BOARD OF Directors of this Company, held this day, a semi-annual Dividend of Five per cent., free of Government tax, was declared, payable on demand.
A. WILEY, Jr., Secretary.

PACIFIC NATIONAL BANK, NEW-YORK, Jan. 12, 1869.
THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS HAVE this day declared a dividend of Five Per Cent., free from Government tax, payable on and after the 1st day of February next.

OFFICE INTERNATIONAL INSURANCE COMPANY, NO. 156 BROADWAY, NEW-YORK, Jan. 12, 1869.
A SEMI-ANNUAL DIVIDEND OF FIVE PER CENT., free from Government tax, has this day been declared, payable on demand. WM. J. HUGHES, Secretary.

THE CONTINENTAL INSURANCE COMPANY has this day declared a semi-annual dividend of EIGHT PER CENT. upon its capital, payable to the stockholders, or their legal representatives, on and after THURSDAY, 14th inst.
CYRUS PECK, Secretary.
NEW-YORK, Jan. 12, 1869.

OFFICE LORILLARD FIRE INSURANCE CO., NO. 16 BROADWAY, NEW-YORK, Jan. 12, 1869.
THE DIRECTORS OF THIS COMPANY have this day declared a semi-annual dividend of FIVE PER CENT., payable on demand, free of Government tax.
JOHN C. MILLS, Secretary.

OFFICE OF THE FULTON FIRE INSURANCE CO., NO. 16 BROADWAY, NEW-YORK, Jan. 12, 1869.
THE DIRECTORS HAVE THIS DAY DECLARED a semi-annual Dividend of Five Per Cent., payable on demand, free of Government tax.
JAMES M. RANKIN, Secretary.

SAVINGS BANKS.

BROADWAY SAVINGS INSTITUTION, No. 80 Broadway, continues to Pass-books the interest on deposits made on the first business day of January, Dec. 5, at the rate of SIX per cent. per annum, on all sums of $5 and upward (free from Government tax.) will be paid on and after MONDAY, Jan. 4, 1869.
FRANCIS P. SCHOALA, President.
WADE B. WORRALL, Sec. PETER CUMMING, Asst.

NEW-YORK SAVINGS BANK, 694 BROADWAY, corner 14th-st. SIX PER CENT. INTEREST paid on all sums from $5 to $2,000 deposited in this bank on or before Feb. 1, will draw interest from Feb. 1.
R. H. HULL, President.
R. KELLER, Vice-President.
C. W. BEDERWOLF, Secretary.

LOST AND FOUND.

$50 REWARD.—LOST OR STOLEN, CERTIficate No. 11,686, for $10,000 United States 10-40 five per cent. stock, registered in the name of Grant Thornton, Jr., and assigned on its back to E. F. Spencer. All persons are cautioned against negotiating the same. Fifty Dollars Reward will be paid for its return to KETCHUM, PHIPPS & SELKNAP, No. 34 Broad-st.

$100 REWARD WILL BE PAID AND no questions asked, by TIFFANY & CO., No. 550 Broadway, for the recovery of a pair of diamond cluster ear-rings, supposed to have been lost during the month of December. The rings contained nine stones in enameled and gold setting.

LOST—CAB DETECTIVE SHIELD NO. 22. Please return to Ninth Precinct Police Station, No. 54 Charles-st.

BANKRUPT NOTICES.

THIS IS TO GIVE NOTICE—THAT ON THE 11th day of January, A. D. 1869, a warrant in bankruptcy was issued against the estate of THOMAS W. ABBOT, of Brooklyn, in the County of Kings and State of New-York, and JOHN LANE, of Hillsfield, in the County of Bergen and State of New-Jersey, who have carried on the business of SHOE MANUFACTURERS in the City of New-York,

SHIPPING.

ONLY DIRECT LINE TO FRANCE.

THE GENERAL TRANSATLANTIC COMPANIES MAIL STEAMSHIPS, BETWEEN NEW-YORK AND HAVRE, CALLING AT BREST, VIZ:

La Normandie, Capt. Lamaze, SATURDAY, Jan. 23, at 2 P.M.
Continent will sail from Pier No. 50 North River on Jan. 30.

VILLE DE PARIS, Surmont, SATURDAY, Jan. 30
PEREIRE, ... Poursin, SATURDAY, Feb. 6
St. LAURENT, ... Roussan, SATURDAY, Feb. 13

PRICE OF PASSAGE IN GOLD (including wines):
TO BREST OR HAVRE,
First cabin, $140; second cabin, $80.
TO PARIS,
including railway tickets, furnished on board.
First cabin, $145; second cabin, $85.
Other accounts for berths or passports.
Medical attendance free of charge.
Arrangements can be made to go overland from the Continent of Europe, by taking the steamers of this line, avoid both transit by English railways and the discomforts of crossing the Channel; baggage passes through Custom-house and sealed.
GEO. MACKENZIE, Agent, No. 58 Broadway.

STEAMER VILLE DE PARIS, FOR BREST and Havre, will leave Pier No. 42 North River, foot of Morris-st., on SATURDAY, Jan. 23, at 1 o'clock. Passengers are requested to be on board at 10 o'clock. Passage or freight apply at office on board.
GEO. MACKENZIE, Agent.

THE BRITISH AND NORTH AMERICAN ROYAL MAIL STEAMSHIPS BETWEEN NEW-YORK AND LIVERPOOL, CALLING AT COPE ASHER, SAILING EVERY WEDNESDAY.

CUBA ..... Jan. 20 | RUSSIA ..... Feb. 10
ISLA DE CUBA ..... Jan. 27 | CHINA ..... Feb. 17
AUSTRALIAN ..... Feb. 3 | SOUTH AMERICA ..... Feb. 24

Passage money payable in gold.
Cabin ..... $140 | Second Cabin $80
Cabin to Paris $145
Steerage $30
The owners of these ships will not be responsible for specie or valuables, unless bills of lading having the value expressed are signed therefor.
Through bills of lading given for Belfast, Glasgow, Havre, Antwerp and other ports on the Continent; and for Mediterranean ports.
For freight or passage apply to
E. CUNARD, No. 4 Bowling-green, New-York.

STEAM TO GLASGOW AND DERRY.
THE BROOKLYN LINE
Favorite Clyde-built Steam ships are intended to sail
EVERY SATURDAY
From Pier No. 3 North River, 12 o'clock, noon.
CALEDONIA ..... Jan. 23 | EUROPA ..... Feb. 13
SANTINA ..... Jan. 30 | INDIA ..... Feb. 20
COLUMBIA ..... Feb. 6 | ..... Feb. 27
RATES OF PASSAGE PAYABLE IN CURRENCY.
Cabins, to Liverpool, Glasgow, or Derry, $80 and $85.
Excursion tickets, good for 12 months, $145 and $155.
Steerage, to Glasgow or Derry, $30; intermediate, $35.
Passengers booked to and from Havre, Paris, Rotterdam, Antwerp, &c., at very low rates.
Drafts issued payable at any bank in Great Britain and Ireland.
For further information apply at the Company's office, No. 5 Bowling-green, New-York.
HENDERSON BROTHERS.

LIVERPOOL AND GREAT WESTERN STEAM COMPANY.
FOR LIVERPOOL
From Pier No. 46 North River, WEDNESDAYS.
NEBRASKA ..... Jan. 27, at 12 M.
MANHATTAN ..... Feb. 3, at 11 A.M.
NEVADA ..... Feb. 10, at 12 M.
MINNESOTA ..... Feb. 17, at 11 A.M.
Cabin passage, $80, gold; Steerage, $30, currency.
Tickets to bring out passengers from Europe can be obtained on reasonable terms.
For freight or passage apply at the office of the Company, No. 10 Broadway.
WILLIAM F. GUION, No. 11 Wall-st.
For steerage passage at
WILLIAMS & GUION, No. 29 Broadway.

CUNARD LINE OF STEAMERS
BETWEEN NEW-YORK AND LIVERPOOL, CALLING AT QUEENSTOWN.
FROM NEW-YORK EVERY THURSDAY.
TRIPOLI ..... Jan. 28 | PALMYRA ..... Feb. 4
TARIFA ..... Jan. 31 | ALGERIA ..... Feb. 11
RATES OF PASSAGE FROM NEW-YORK.
Cabin ..... $80, Gold.
Steerage ..... $30 Currency.
Steerage tickets from Liverpool or Queenstown, $30, currency.
Excursion tickets, good for 12 months, $145, currency.
Apply at the Company's office, No. 4 Bowling-green.
E. CUNARD.

NATIONAL LINE.
THE STEAMSHIP DENMARK, Captain Cousins, will leave SATURDAY, Jan. 23, at 11 M., from Pier No. 45 North River.
Passage to Liverpool or Queenstown: Cabin, $100; Steerage, $30, currency.
Steerage tickets from Liverpool or Queenstown, $30, currency.
Apply at the Company's office, No. 61 Broadway.
F. W. J. HURST, Manager.

STEAM TO LIVERPOOL.
ANCHOR LINE.
The steamship IOWA, Capt. HEDDERWICK, will sail on SATURDAY, 23d inst., at 12 o'clock noon, from Pier No. 20 North River, for above port direct. For further information apply at the Company's offices, No. 7 Bowling-Green, New-York.
HENDERSON BROTHERS.

FOR LIVERPOOL AND QUEENSTOWN.
Inman Line of mail steamers are appointed to sail as follows:
CITY OF ANTWERP ..... Saturday, Jan. 23, 1 P.M.
KANGAROO (via Halifax) ..... Tuesday, Jan. 26, 1 P.M.
CITY OF LONDON ..... Saturday, Jan. 30, 9 A.M.
CITY OF BALTIMORE ..... Saturday, Feb. 6, 1 P.M.
TO AND FROM LIVERPOOL EVERY SATURDAY AND TUESDAY, from Pier No. 45 North River.
RATES OF PASSAGE
PAYABLE IN GOLD.
First Cabin ..... $100 | Steerage ..... $30 and 35
To London ..... 105 | To London ..... 35 and 40
To Paris ..... 110 | To Paris ..... 40 and 45
Halifax ..... 20 | Halifax 20
St. John's, N.F., by Branch Steamer ..... 25 | St. John's, N.F., by Branch Steamer 30
Passengers also forwarded to Havre, Hamburg, Bremen, &c., at reduced rates.
Tickets can be bought here at moderate rates by persons wishing to send for their friends.
For further information apply at the Company's Offices.
JOHN G. DALE, Agent,
No. 15 Broadway, New-York.

STEAM COMMUNICATION DIRECT BETWEEN NEW-YORK AND NEW-ZEALAND AND AUSTRALIA, VIA PANAMA.
THE PANAMA, NEW-ZEALAND AND AUSTRALIAN ROYAL MAIL COMPANY dispatches a steamer every month, sailing from Panama about the 20th, upon the arrival of the British Mail steamer at Aspinwall. The Pacific Mail Company's steamer leaving New-York for Aspinwall on the 4th of each month, will be in time to make necessary connection. Passengers and cargo booked through from New-York to the several Colonial ports. A special steamer runs to the newly discovered gold region of Hokitika.
For further information regarding rates of freight, passage money, &c., &c., apply to the Pacific Mail Steamship Company, No. 6 Wall-st.
CHARLES W. WEST, Agent,
No. 2 William-st., New-York.

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY'S
THROUGH LINE TO
CALIFORNIA AND CHINA.
Through rates, New-York to San Francisco:
First Cabin.
Outside. Inside. Second Cabin. Steerage.
$225 $200 $150 $75
Steamers at the above line leave Pier No. 42 North River, foot of Canal-st., at 12 o'clock noon,
ON the 9th, 19th and 24th,
except when those days fall on Sunday, then the day previous.
One hundred pounds baggage free to each adult. Medicine and attendance free.
JAN. 24—CITY OF NEWCASTLE, Capt. COMBS, connecting with MONTANA, Capt. W. H. WEST.
FEB. 9—CITY OF SYDNEY, Capt. COMBS, connecting with NEVADA, leaving San Francisco March 4, 1869, for China and Japan.
For passage tickets and all further information apply at the Company's ticket office on the pier, foot of Canal-st.
F. H. HALEY, Agent.

FOR ST. THOMAS AND BRAZIL.
UNITED STATES AND BRAZIL MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.
REGULAR MAIL STEAMERS sailing on the 21st of every month:
MERSEREAUX, Capt. S. V. TREDERICK, Jan. 21.
SOUTH AMERICA, Capt. S. L. TINKELPAUGH, Feb. 21.
MISSISSIPPI, Capt. CHAS. H. SPOONER, March 21.
These splendid steamships call touch at Pernambuco and call at St. Thomas, Para, Paramaribo, Bahia and Rio de Janeiro, going and returning. For engagements of freight or passage apply to
M. S. GARRISON, Agent,
No. 3 Bowling-green, New-York.

FOR NASSAU, N. P.,
UNDER CONTRACT WITH THE BAHAMA GOVERNMENT FOR CARRYING THE MAILS.
THE ATLANTIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY will dispatch the splendid side-wheel steamer
ALPS, Capt. J. Lewis, SATURDAY, Jan. 23, at 3 o'clock P.M., precisely, from Pier No. 4 North River. For engagements of freight or passage apply to
A. G. PHELPS, Jr., President, No. 5 Bowling-green.

FOR MOBILE,
VIA FERNANDINA ROUTE.
The Florida Railroad Company will dispatch the first-class steamer
FLAG, Capt. HOFFMAN,
SATURDAY, Jan. 23, at 3 P.M., from Pier No. 37 North River, foot of Warren-st. Cargo delivered without lighterage at Mobile. No new receipts. Insurance guaranteed lowest and at par on cotton. Through rates and bills of lading given to Selma, Montgomery, and all points in the interior at lower rates than any other line.
Has splendid cabin accommodations for passengers going to Florida or the Gulf Ports.
For freight or passage apply to
J. F. PATTERSON, Agent, No. 12 Chambers-st.

FOR NEW-ORLEANS,
CALLING AT HAVANA,
Carrying the United States mails.
The well-known steamship
VIRGO, Capt. BULKLEY,
will leave Pier No. 36 North River, on
SATURDAY, Jan. 23, at 3 o'clock P.M.
RAPIDAN follows ..... Jan. 30.
GIENVILLE follows ..... Feb. 6.
DE SOTO follows ..... Feb. 13.
Through rates to Galveston, Indianola, Lavaca and Rockport, Texas, Mobile, Ala., and to all points of the Mississippi River.
No Havana freight received on day of sailing.
For freight or passage apply to
LIVINGSTON, FOX & CO., No. 29 Liberty-st.

FOR SAVANNAH, BRUNSWICK, &c.
BLACK STAR INDEPENDENT LINE.
OPPOSITION NO MONOPOLY.
The first-class steamship HUNTSVILLE will leave Pier No. 13 North River, on SATURDAY, Jan. 23, at 3 P.M.
For freight or passage apply to
E. LOWDEN, Agent, No. 3 Wall-st.
Cabin passage $20.

U. S. MAIL TO HAVANA.
ATLANTIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.
Sailing regularly every THURSDAY, at 3 o'clock P.M., precisely, from Pier No. 4 North River.
HAVANA, Comm. Sid Mason ..... Jan. 28
MORRO CASTLE, Capt. E. Adams ..... Feb. 4
COLUMBIA, Capt. E. Van Brunt ..... Feb. 11
For freight or passage apply to
E. G. WHELDEN, Jr., President,
No. 4 Bowling-green.

FOR NEW-ORLEANS DIRECT.
THE CROMWELL LINE.
Steamships of this line will leave Pier No. 9 North River, foot of Warren-st., as follows:
GEO. CROMWELL ..... SATURDAY, Jan. 23
GEO. WASHINGTON ..... SATURDAY, Jan. 30
Freight taken for St. Louis, Nashville and Cincinnati at through rates.
Insurance guaranteed equal to any other line.
For freight or passage apply to the agents, H. R. CROMWELL & CO., No. 6 Wall-st.

HAVANA, SPAIN AND VERA CRUZ.
Full New-York and Mexican Mail Steamship Line.
The new steamship MANHATTAN, Capt. C. H. Harris, will leave Pier No. 17 East River, on FRIDAY, Jan. 29, at 10 A.M. Passage to Havana, $35, currency. For freight passage apply to
F. ALLENDER & SON, No. 4 Barclay-st.

BOARDING AND LODGING.

BOARD.—TO LET TO ONE OR TWO GENTLEMEN a comfortable furnished front room, with board, in a private residence, 45th-st., between 5th and 6th-avs.; first-class location. Address with references, A. C. C., Box No. 89 Post-Office.

A LADY OCCUPYING A MODERN HOUSE near Irving Hall and the Academy of Music will let a portion of her house—a drawing-room, with or without board. Apply at No. 128 East 16th-st., near Irving-place.

NO. 11 UNIVERSITY-PLACE, CORNER of 8th-st., one block from Broadway—Handsomely furnished rooms for gentlemen, with or without board; excellent table; terms reasonable.

A GENTLEMAN AND FAMILY RESIDING in Madison-ave. will receive two or three young gentlemen, with breakfast. Address HAMPDEN, Box No. 111 Times Office.

A LARGE SECRET ROOM ON THE fourth floor, facing south, to let with board. Also, a large room, very suitable for a dentist's office. Apply at No. 17 West 24th-st.

TO LET—IN NINTH WARD, PARLOR AND bedroom, furnished, with partial board, to a single gentleman; terms moderate; private; Apply at No. 60 Greenwich-st.

NO. 50 WEST 13TH-ST.—A LARGE HANDsomely furnished room, on second floor, to let, with breakfast; board, to a gentleman and wife; references required.

NO. 58 EAST 15TH-ST., NEAR IRVING-place.—A suite of handsome furnished rooms on second floor, with board, to a family or party of gentlemen; references given and required.

NO. 24 EAST 22D-ST., NEAR MADISON-square.—A rare opportunity for one or two gentlemen of strictly quiet habits, with board, in a private family, by immediate application.

BOARDING.—A LARGE AND ELEGANT parlor room, with heater for two, $25 a week; the children's meals; fine hall room, $8; in the first-class house No. 104 East 31st-st., between Lexington and 3d ave.

BOARD AT HARLEM.—A GENTLEMAN and his wife desire to obtain board on the west side of Harlem in a private family. Address, stating terms, HARLEM, Box No. 4,262 Post-Office, N. Y.

NO. 152 EAST 50TH-ST., NEAR 4TH-AV.—To let, parlor and bedroom floors and two rooms; also, board for one or a small family if desired; references required.

PARLORS DESIRABLE ROOMS IN GOOD location, with or without board, apply at French Bakery, 73 West 8th-st.

A PLEASANT SUITE OF SHORT ROOMS (bedroom, parlor and breakfast), board, in No. 12 East 32d-st.; references required.

NO. 1,314 BROADWAY, ONE DOOR south of Madison-ave., large and elegantly furnished front room to let; will accommodate two gentlemen.

NO. 30 WEST 16TH-ST., BETWEEN 5TH and 6th-avs.—Beautiful large front room, neatly furnished; with board, if desired.

NO. 24 6TH-ST., BETWEEN 5TH-AV. AND Fifth-square.—Large single room, with grate, on 2d floor, with board. Dinner, 6 P.M.

NO. 128 EAST 50TH-ST., NEAR LEXINGton-av.; one or two gentlemen can find a comfortable home in a private family; references exchanged.

NO. 4 EAST 16TH-ST., ONE DOOR FROM 5TH-av., furnished apartment, three rooms en suite, with excellent attendance, to let with or without board.

TWO OR THREE GENTLEMEN CAN FIND A pleasant home at 218 EAST 18TH-ST.—SEVERAL small rooms for single gentlemen, with or without board.

NO. 30 WEST 16TH-ST.—FIRST-CLASS rooms, with board.

FIFTH-AVENUE—ROOMS, BEDROOMS, SUITE for single, with board; private tables if desired.

RAILROADS.

LONG ISLAND RAILROAD.
Leave James-slip 9:30 A.M. Mail train for Greenport; 10 A.M., Northport, Huntington and Glen Cove; 3 P.M., Greenport, Riverhead, Sag Harbor, Northport, Huntington and Glen Cove; 5:30 P.M., Farmingdale and way stations. All trains connect with transit to Hempstead. Train leaves at 9 A.M. from Hunter's Point for Northport, Huntington and Glen Cove.
L. D. BARTON, Superintendent.

ERIE RAILWAY.—TRAINS LEAVE DEPOT Effect of Chambers-st., Pavonia Ferry:
6 A.M.—Express Train, Daily, for Dunkirk, Buffalo, Dunkirk, Cleveland, Cincinnati, and all points West and South.
9:30 A.M.—Way Train, Daily, for Otisville and intermediate Stations.
10 A.M.—Express Mail, for Dunkirk, Cleveland, Cincinnati and all points West and South.
2:15 P.M.—Way Train, for Middletown and intermediate Stations.
4 P.M.—Way Express, stopping only at Sterling Junction, Turner's, and Stations west of Turner's, (except Chester and Otisville), Warwick, Montgomery, Unionville and Port Jervis.
5 P.M.—Way Train, for Suffern and intermediate Stations.
6:30 P.M.—Way Train, for Suffern and intermediate Stations.
8:45 P.M.—Night Express, Daily, for all points West and South. By this Train Sleeping Coaches will run through to Buffalo, Rochester and Cincinnati, without change.
11 P.M.—Emigrant Train, Daily, for the West.
Also Way Trains for Satterlee, Park, Passaic and Paterson at 6:40 and 9:15 A.M., 12 M., and 1:45, 4:15, 6:30 and 11 P.M. On Wednesday night a theater Train at 12 o'clock for Suffern and intermediate Stations.
SUNDAY TRAINS—8:30 A.M., Way Train for Otisville. 1:45 P.M., for Paterson. 6:30 P.M., Night Express, for Rochester, Buffalo, Dunkirk, Cleveland, Cincinnati, and all points West and South. 11 P.M., Emigrant and Way Train.—11 P.M., for Paterson and Port Jervis.
Express Trains run through to Buffalo, Rochester, Dunkirk, Cleveland and Cincinnati without change of cars, and in direct connections with all Southern and Western lines.
Perfectly ventilated and luxurious sleeping coaches accompany all night trains.
Tickets can be obtained at the Company's offices, No. 241 Broadway and Depot foot of Chambers-st., New-York; and at Hoboken Depot, Jersey City.
WM. E. SARG, H. RIDDLE,
Gen'l Pass. Agent. Gen'l Sup't.

HUDSON RIVER AND HARLEM RAILROADS.—On and after MONDAY, Nov. 23, 1868, leaving Depot, corner of Chambers-st. and Hudson-river, the following trains will leave New-York as follows:
6 A.M. Express train via Hudson River Railroad, 30th-st. and 10th-av., through to Buffalo and Suspension Bridge with sleeping cars attached, and connecting at Troy with trains for Rutland and North. Drawing-room cars from New-York to Rochester, connecting with the sleeping-cars for the West, via either North or south Shore lines.
10 A.M. Express train via Harlem Railroad, 26th-st. and 4th-av., connecting at Chatham with Western Railroad, for Hudson, Pittsfield, etc., at Albany with Western trains, and at Troy with trains for Saratoga, Rutland, Burlington and the North.
11:30 A.M. Express train via Hudson River Railroad, connecting at Albany with trains for the West. Drawing-room car attached to this train through to Troy.
3:30 P.M. Express train via Hudson River Railroad, with drawing-room car attached, connecting at Albany with Western trains, and at Troy with trains for Montreal, with sleeping-car attached.
4:30 P.M. Express train via Harlem Railroad, for Albany and Troy, connecting at Albany with Western trains. Sleeping-car attached to Albany.
6:45 P.M. Express train via Hudson River Railroad, with sleeping-cars attached, and through to Buffalo and Suspension Bridge without change of cars. Also sleeping-car through to Montreal without change. Also, New-York, through to Ogdensburg, without change, via Hous. W. and O. Railroad. Connection for Troy will be made at East Albany. This train will run on Sundays.
11 P.M. Express train via Hudson River Railroad, with sleeping-cars attached, connecting at Albany with express trains for Buffalo and Suspension Bridge, and at Troy with trains for Saratoga and points North.
A Sunday train will be run via Hudson River Railroad to Albany, and to Poughkeepsie and intermediate stations, leaving New-York at 9 A.M. Returning leave Poughkeepsie at 3 P.M., arriving in New-York at 9:20. Also, a Sunday train will leave Chatham at 4:30 P.M., (Leave, as 6 A.M.), and arrive at Millerton at 8:30 P.M. Returning, leave Millerton at 4:30 P.M., arriving at Chatham at 8:30 P.M.
WM. H. VANDERBILT, Vice-President.

NORTHERN RAILROAD OF NEW-JERSEY.—Trains will leave New-York by the Pavonia Ferry, foot of Chambers-st., as follows: At 8 A.M., 1, 4:15, 5:15 and 6:30 P.M. And Saturdays only 12, midnight. The 1 and 4:15 P.M. trains through to Monticello.
Nov. 2, 1868. THOS. W. DEMAREST, Supt.

STEAMBOATS.

FOR BOSTON, VIA NEWPORT AND FALL RIVER.
BY THE OLD FALL RIVER LINE.
NEW-YORK AND BOSTON.
NEWPORT, FALL RIVER, TAUNTON, NEW BEDFORD AND CAPE COD TOWNS AND NANTUCKET.
Rates of fare and freight always as low as by any other regular line.
One of the Magnificent Steamships
NEW YORK or OLD COLONY
Leaves Pier No. 2 North River foot of Murray-st., at 5 P.M. daily. Sundays excepted.
By this route passengers can take train from Newport at 6 A.M., and arrive in Boston at 9:30 A.M., in time to connect with all Northern and Eastern trains; or can remain undisturbed on board, and take 7:45 A.M. train, and arrive in Boston at half-past business hours.
NEW-YORK, Aug. 3, 1868. No. 72 Broadway, N.Y.

STONINGTON LINE.
TO BOSTON AND PROVIDENCE
GREAT INSIDE ROUTE—SHORTEST AND MOST DIRECT.
Fare always as low as by any other line.
The new and elegant Mail-steamer Steamer
STONINGTON and NARRAGANSETT,
Capt. Wm. M. Jones, Capt. Geo. S. Bull,
Plant Pier No. 2, foot of Jay-st., North River,
at 4 P.M.
Arriving ahead of all other lines.
Tickets sold and state-rooms secured at the principal hotels, at No. 1 Astor House, and at Dodd's Express office, No. 944 Broadway, and at the Company's office.
Freedom Stonington Steamboat Company.

FOR NEW-HAVEN, HARTFORD, &c.—Pier 31, Stonington dock, foot of Peck-slip for New-Haven at 3:45 and 11 P.M., connecting with railroad.

IRON WORKS.

ARCHITECTURAL DEPARTMENT OF THE
Novelty Iron Works,
NOS. 17 AND 23 LIBERTY-ST.,
CORNER BROADWAY, NEW-YORK.
Plain and Ornamental Iron Work of all kinds for Buildings.

SHIPPING.

FOR CHARLESTON, S. C., THE WEST INDIES AND THE SOUTH AND SOUTH-WEST.—REGULAR LINE.—The fast and reliable steamship SARAGOSSA, O. RUDDICK, Commander, will be dispatched on THURSDAY, Jan. 28, at 2 P.M., from Pier No. 9 North River. Cabin passage reduced to $15. Through bills of lading to all points South and Southwest. Insurance on Charleston (SAVERY & CO.) forwarded free of commission.
ARTHUR LEARY, No. 10 William-st.

THE STEAMSHIP MAGNOLIA will sail on the following
THURSDAY:
NORFOLK AND FORTRESS MONROE MAIL Steamship Company's steamer, HENRY CHAUNCEY, sailing on SATURDAY, Jan. 23, at 12 M. Freight received until 4 P.M. on FRIDAY, 22d inst. All former facilities afforded to shippers in collecting claims, drawbacks, etc.
J. E. BABY, Agent.

AMUSEMENTS.

BROUGHAM'S THEATRE.
Proprietor ..... Mr. JAMES GEE.
Lessee and Manager ..... Mr. JOHN BROUGHAM.
WILL OPEN
MONDAY EVENING, Jan. 25, 1869,
with a new and original Comedy, in two Acts, by Mr. John Brougham, entitled
BETTER LATE THAN NEVER.
Characters by Mr. JOHN BROUGHAM, GEO. STODDART, C. PARKER, J. LAWRENCE, EDMUND GARIE and Miss ANDREWS.
AFTER THE COMEDY,
MR. JOHN BROUGHAM
WILL MAKE A FEW REMARKS
To be followed by the Burlesque and original Burlesque, by Mr. JOHN BROUGHAM, entitled
THE DRAMATIC REVIEW FOR 1868.
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ALBANY.

Adjournment of the Legislature till Monday—New Bills Relating to New-York—Continued Grumbling Over the Committees—Contested Seats, &c.

From Our Own Correspondent.

ALBANY, Friday, Jan. 22, 1869.

Both Houses of the Legislature adjourned today till Monday night. The Senate held a brief Executive Session before adjournment, and confirmed another batch of notaries. In the Assembly a dozen or more new bills were introduced and referred. Relating to New-York was one from Mr. BURNS for the erection of a new market was' of Tenth-avenue, between Twelfth and Thirteenth streets, and another from the same gentleman for the "better protection of the civil and religious rights of minors." The design of this last bill is to check the rivalry and proselytism alleged to be practiced by the various charitable societies of the City that seek out and take charge of orphan children. It provides that the name, age, parentage, birth-place, &c., of every child entering these institutions shall be recorded in a book, which shall be open to public inspection at all reasonable hours, and imposes a penalty for changing the name or any child to avoid identification as the author of the bill alleges has been frequently done in the past. Mr. BURNS also offered a resolution which, at his request, was laid over for the appointment of a Committee to draft a plan to restore New-York City to her ancient rights and rid her of the "irresponsible and demoralizing" commissioners under whose rule he and Gov. HOFFMAN (see the message,) think she suffers so grievously. As Mr. BURNS was left off the standing Committee by the Speaker he will probably be put on the Committee to draft the "plan" aforesaid—provided his resolution passes.

Mr. MURPHY called up his resolution, (full of the bible yesterday,) for the appointment of the minister, REVEREND MYERS, as an extra doorkeeper. MURPHY appears to take a great interest in MYERS, which first, in connection with the Celtic origin of the surnames, has given rise to the suspicion that there may be a relationship between the parties. GERLSON, the brilliant country Chairman of the Committee on Cities, gave new life to the elegant joke at the expense of poor MYERS, by moving an amendment that he be appointed "Superintendent of Ventilation." Mr. BURNS put a stop to what a portion of the House seemed to consider new fun, by moving to lay the whole subject on the table, which was adopted and the House adjourned.

THE COMMITTEES.

There continues to be a good deal of growling over the construction of the committees, and there will probably be some alterations made next week. JACOBS, of Kings, is not at all satisfied with the way he was scratched off at the last moment from the Committee on Cities, and makes out a case of point blank lying, or a violation of a positive pledge—which is considered the same thing here—against the Speaker. As JACOBS is the best parliamentarian, if not the ablest man on the opposition side, it is desirable that he should be pacified, or he will give Mr. YOUNGLOVE a good deal of bother before the session is through. The plan at present is said to be to get Mr. LAMAR, who has the Chairmanship of one important Committee, to resign his place on Cities in favor of JACOBS; but as the majority of the Assembly have no particular desire to help the new Speaker out of the dilemmas into which he has got himself by his partisan muddling over the Committees, it is doubtful whether any changes will be acceded to. The two gentlemen (CHAMPLIN and BERGEN) who were left out altogether by the Speaker, and who are among the most gentlemanly and least objectionable men in the opposition, do not regard the excuse of Mr. YOUNGLOVE that it was an "oversight" as at all complimentary, and express no wish to have it rectified.

CONTESTED SEATS.

The Committees will get to work next week, when it is expected that legislation will commence in good earnest. The Committee on Contested Seats will enter upon their investigations immediately. There are five contestants—four in New-York City and one on Staten Island. Three of the contestants are Republicans, contesting the seats of Democrats, and two are Democrats, contesting the seats of other Democrats. The Committee is one of the best in the Assembly, and the character of its members is a sufficient guarantee that the investigations of Mr. W. W. HEUSSLER, a lawyer of Poughkeepsie, and among the ablest of the new members, is Chairman, and Messrs. SELKRIG of Tompkins, COMANT of Suffolk, SMITH of Oneida, and MOAKLEY of Kings, make up the balance of the Committee.

THE STATE LEGISLATURE.

SENATE....ALBANY, Friday, Jan. 22.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

Mr GERTY introduced a bill naming as corporators of the proposed Yorkville Savings Bank, in the City of New-York: JOHN GILLEHAN, JOHN MCQUADE, FRANCIS J. TOURNEY, EDWARD A. MOORE, JOHN MARNIE and others.

Mr. LILLIE introduced a bill to change the name of the Lillie Safe and Iron Company to the Minerva Tile Iron and Safe Works.

APPOINTMENTS CONFIRMED.

The Senate in Executive session confirmed the following Notaries Public for New-York: Edwin F. Covey, Michael J. Miller, Manso Daffendorf, William J. Brinckerhoff, Wm. Barker, Joseph B. Coe, John A. Slingerland, John A. Godfrey, John A. Foley, Wm. Irwin, David G. Adee, Nicholas Fish, Robert Harrison, Edward S. Clinch, John Feltretch, George Montague, George Hoffman.

The Speaker presented the reports of the Quarter-Master-General and the Commissioner of Quarantine.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

By Mr. SMITH—To provide for laying out a public park in Albany.

By Mr. BARKER—Relative to highway taxes in Hamilton County.

By Mr. HOWARD—To provide for paving Bushwick-avenue, Brooklyn.

By Mr. JACOBS—To release lands to SUSAN QUINN.

By Mr. WRIGHT—To authorize towns in Monroe County to offer rewards for the apprehension of criminals.

By Mr. BURNS—For the better protection of religious and civil rights of minors. Also, to relative to a public market in New-York. Also, to amend the Militia laws.

By Mr. BURNS—Relative to the East Side Railway.

By Mr. HOYT—To amend the charter of Saratoga Springs. Also, appointing Water Commissioners.

By Mr. DOOLITTLE, for Mr. LAMPSON—To authorize the construction of new county buildings in Warrensburg. Also, to incorporate the Sons of Temperance in the Eastern Grand Division.

By Mr. HEUSSLER—For a public market in the Twenty-first Ward of New-York City.

By Mr. RAY—For the removal of Genesee College.

By Mr. KENDALL—To authorize the Canal Commissioners of the Eastern Division and State Engineer to improve the Albany basin.

By Mr. CLARK—Relative to the gross expenses of Kings County.

By Mr. BATES, of Orange—Resolution for the creation of a Board of Education, consisting of the Governor, Lieutenant-Governor, Secretary of State, Comptroller, Attorney-General, State Treasurer, State Superintendent of Public Instruction, the present Superintendent to be Secretary of the Board for two years. Also provides new regulations for the distribution of the public library moneys and for the visitation and examination of colleges and academies in the State.

By Mr. SOWERS—To amend the charter of the Corn Exchange Insurance Company of Brooklyn.

BILLS PASSED.

Amending the laws relative to the supply of water for the City of Binghamton, Broome County.

Adjourned till Monday evening.

Presentation and Dinner by the Employes of the Morris and Essex Railroad.

Last evening the employes of the Morris and Essex Railroad Company of New-Jersey, to the number of about seventy-five, assembled at the Restaurant de Beef, in Hudson Terrace, Hoboken, and presented Col. A. TEXEDOR, the retired General Superintendent of the road, with an elegant and costly gold watch and chain, as a mark of their esteem. The presentation address was delivered by Hon. A. O. EVANS, late Speaker of the Assembly, who in the course of his remarks made mention of the fact that so carefully had the Colonel administered the affairs of the road in his department that during the entire term of service—about two and a half years—not an accident had occurred where the railroad employes could be justly charged therewith. The recipient of the gift responded in appropriate terms, thanking his friends for their kind remembrance of him. The speechmaking having been concluded, a rich and bonnemous feast of good things was enjoyed by the company, Mr. J. R. MOSSOP presiding, and the proceedings were kept up until an early morning hour.

Organization of a German Republican General Committee.

The Radical wing of the German Republicans, associators represented by the Grant and Colfax Campaign Club, perfected on Thursday night, at Arion Hall, a permanent organization, under the name of "German Republican General Committee." This General Committee is composed of five delegates from each Assembly District, and of five delegates of the German "Boys in Blue." The following officers were elected:

President, Hon. Simmond Kaufmann; First Vice-President, Henry Metz; Second Vice-President, Lawrence Lechner; Recording Secretary, Charles Wirth; Corresponding Secretary, Paul Schnitzler; Treasurer, Benjamin Lehmayer.

"American Ideals"—Lecture by Josiah P. Quincy, Esq.

The first of two lectures, under the auspices of the Sixth Universalist Society, (Church of Our Saviour,) was delivered last evening at Trenor's Lyceum Hall, Sixth-avenue, by JOSIAH P. QUINCY, Esq., of Massachusetts.

The lecturer selected as his subject, "American Ideals," in opening which he said: We Native Americans with the music of the spheres until, in the growing enchantment, we cease to reflect from whence it comes or whither it leads. 'Tis well, however, and profitable sometimes, to stop and reflect on the goal to which as a people we tend, and that toward which we ought to aspire. He then delineated in an interesting manner the three great Ideals which in our day form the goal of American ambition. To some, Paris is heaven. The mother devoted to womanly ease, and her daughter, as if by family instinct, are insatiable for the amusements of fashion which the gay French capital affords, while the snobbish one in no less enchanted with the idleness of the boulevard, the café, and card table. To all of them democratic America is vulgar and commonplace and altogether inferior to the ideal of refined taste. Here the lecturer entered into a minute picture of Paris during the exciting days of December, '51, displaying in anything but attractive colors, the process whereby the outrushing of democratic ideas was summarily suppressed, and Paris, necessary and admirably, was made subservient to unalloyed royalty, and fashion, glittering to the eye, but hollow, dangerous, and doubtfully moral.

He then referred briefly to the second class—those who think their sole duty consists in accumulating wealth, sitting in a quiet unostentatious way the duties of life, and such political offices as they may happen to attain, in not doing as they say, about as near right as they can. These are never likely to do much hurt to any, for whatever may have been said to the contrary, there is no country on earth where wealth has less influence.

Then there is raised to that class which, while highest in their ideals, was at the same time the nation's foundation. These were the men of high moral and intellectual culture, and women, too. These could rarely be found in political offices, yet they governed none the less; and whoever may, by the restless and uncertain waves of political excitement, be thrown upward to the scale of civil government, this moral and intellectual leaven, which has become an indispensable part of our national growth, combined with an incorruptible Press, will ever steady our advance toward the true goal of American ambition.

In England he had watched the passing panorama of her aristocracy, and then been taken to the by-streets to look at her dangerous classes. To them the toiling mass was the dangerous class; the dangerous class with us is that to which he just referred. In conclusion, he contrasted NAPOLEON crushing democracy in Paris, and HENRY WARD BEECHER standing forth as her champion in England in 1863; and who, by the accident of the times, ceased for the moment to be a preacher of the Gospel, while he stood forth a living illustration of the true American Democrat, pointing with the finger of living faith to that goal of high moral, yet simple and pure political dignity, toward which alone which is alone become the true American citizen to aspire.

The Railroad Companies and the Snow in the Streets.

The use of snow-plows on the city railroads to remove snow from the tracks is certainly necessary, but in the narrower streets this usage has become a very serious annoyance to those who dwell in the houses or do business in the stores adjoining, and frequent conflicts between the railroad managers and the aggrieved parties have resulted during this season. The plows, it is complained, push the snow-heaps into the gutters or upon the sidewalks, and, in many instances, cast the slush into the stores, and against the front walls and windows of adjoining buildings.

Considerable trouble has been occasioned during the past few days on this account, between the employes of the Forty-second-street Railroad Company and the residents of Thirty-fourth-street, between Broadway and Seventh-avenue. Immediately after the snow-storm had ceased the Company had gone to work at that point, as elsewhere on the route, and with a plow threw the snow in heaps into the gutters, which rendered it impossible for carriages or other vehicles to reach the sidewalks.

Enraged at the conduct of the railroad men, the citizens joined together and pursuing a similar plow and team, they effectually cleared their gutters, casting the snow upon the tracks again. The Railroad Company learning of this, dispatched fifty laborers with shovels, to clear the tracks once more, which they did, and the result was almost a fight with the citizens, who felt that a repetition of the annoyance to which they were subjected, was unpardonable and unbearable. High words ensued between the opponents, but the Police prevented any physical violence either way.

The difficulty matters were quite, but the trouble will doubtless be revived with the next snow-fall.

Liquor Tobacco Lecture by Dr. Peaslee.

Dr. PEASLEE delivered a very interesting lecture at the rooms of the Young Men's Christian Association, No. 161 Fifth-avenue, last evening, on the injurious effects of liquor and tobacco. The lecture having, happily, but little application to the gentler sex, the audience was composed exclusively of the lords of creation. This lecture was the second of a course which Dr. PEASLEE has inaugurated for the special benefit of young men. The lecturer, in opening, said he did not propose to follow the usual track of persons who treat of these subjects, and treat them in an extreme manner, either in favor of or against the use of alcoholic drinks and tobacco. He did not agree with the man who spoke of smoking as a "cigar with fire at one end and a fool at the other," nor with old MARTIN LUTHER, when he declared that tobacco was the best of all things. The Doctor then took up the proposition that alcohol is nourishing, and demonstrated scientifically and analytically that it is not, and showing that in no instance does a single drop of alcohol ever become any part of the human. He in the clearest manner combatted the idea that alcohol gives strength or aids digestion. The action of these subtle poisons upon the organs of vitality and intellect was explained in a manner that made the truths announced perfectly comprehensible to every mind. Alcohol, he said, is a stimulant when taken in small doses, and a narcotic with most fearful consequences when taken in large doses, producing paralysis, coma and death. The lecturer commanded the most profound attention throughout.

Workingwomen's Association.

A regular meeting of the Workingwomen's Association took place last evening, at Room No. 18 Cooper Institute. In the absence of Miss SUSAN B. ANTHONY, the President, Mrs. CHARLOTTE J. LOZIER took the chair. The Committee on Lectures reported that they had received no definite replies to their applications to different lecturers to speak for the benefit of the Association. It was probable, however, that Rev. HENRY WARD BEECHER and Mr. SYDNEY H. GAY would lecture.

Mrs. LOZIER said that Mrs. ELIZABETH SMITH MILLER was to have reported on jails and prisons, but had not arrived. Mrs. LOZIER then spoke at some length in a general way, upon the efforts and purposes of the Association.

It was then decided to hold the next meeting on Wednesday, the 27th inst., at Room No. 24 Cooper Institute.

Mr. TOWNE, a visitor, moved to rescind a vote of thanks which the meeting had just tendered to Gen. SHERMAN THAYER for a letter of sympathy which he had sent, on account of his having, in a recent speech, called America "the land of the coward and the slave."

The motion was lost. The Association, it was said, was obliged to Mr. THAYER for his good wishes, without reference to his opinions or sayings upon other subjects.

Mr. HILL, another visitor, being invited to speak, said a few words in regard to the progress of general society, after which the adjournment took place.

The Revenue from New-Jersey Railroads.

During the past fiscal year the transit duties paid into the Treasury of the State of New-Jersey were as follows: Camden and Amboy Railroad Company, $360,089 91; Delaware and Raritan Canal and Transportation Company, $78,186 80; New-Jersey Railroad and Transportation Company, $50,560 88; Belvidere and Delaware Railroad Company, $79 05; Freehold and Jamesburg Railroad Company, $11 81. Total, $489,913 44. In 1867 these duties, including $26,776 41 due the previous year, were $355,160 94. Excess of 1868, $1,352 50.

Tax on capital paid in by corporations mentioned below were: Central Railroad Company, $88,540 40; Morris and Essex Railroad Company, $54,699 96; New-Jersey Railroad and Transportation Company, $20,437 50; Paterson and Ramapo Railroad Company, $1,246; Warren Railroad Company, $10,295 20. Total, $173,323 51. Total for 1867, $99,971 15. Increase in 1868, $13,411 66.

The Astor-Place Suicide.

In the case of JOHN FAYES, the young German who shot himself through the head on Wednesday night in Astor-place, CORONER SCHEF yesterday held an inquest, when a verdict in accordance with the facts was rendered. The deceased came to this country a few months ago, and was in the employ of a Broadway commission house. On Wednesday he received some letters from Europe, which caused to depress his spirits. At 8 P. M. he stated for his home at No. 40 East Fifty-fourth-street, and it is supposed that he made all the necessary preparations, as his effects were all found packed up. He left a letter for his brother also, who is in the employ of SPALDING & NUNN, at No. 384 Broadway, in which he employed forgiveness, and gave some directions regarding the disposal of his property.

The Hudson County Boulevard.

The Hudson County Board of Chosen Freeholders met at the Court-house in Hudson City yesterday, to consider the report of the Boulevard Commissioners. The report was presented at the last meeting of the Board, when an adjournment was made to yesterday. Upon the meeting of the Board, the report of the Commissioners was read, as also the bill which had been prepared by them for presentation to the Legislature. After the reading of the bill it was taken up by sections and debated by the members of the Board. The section was incorporated prohibiting the establishment of horse railroads on the proposed Drive, and another amendment was adopted providing that the expenses of repairing the roads should be raised by tax upon the whole county. Quite a lengthy debate was had upon a motion to reject that part of the Commissioner's report which proposes the establishment of a middle avenue north from Hoboken-avenue, Hudson City. The motion was, however, rejected, and the proposed construction of the middle avenue approved. It was resolved that the bill be amended by inserting the provision that each of the proposed avenues should be 100 feet wide, except where the residents on the line of the avenue should demand that it be made wider. The entire report, with these amendments, was referred to the Boulevard Commissioners and the Legislative Committee of the Board of Freeholders.

A Crazy Mobel.

A warrant was issued yesterday, at the complaint of the Poormaster of Bergen, against a man named CHAS. DUFF, who owns a considerable share of property. Mr. and Mrs. DUFF, who are in comfortable circumstances, lived quite happily together up to the breaking out of the war, when he espoused the cause of the South, while his wife was strongly predisposed toward a Union woman. The subsequent defeat of the South rendered the fellow crazy, and he had to be removed to the State Lunatic Asylum. When he was discharged as cured, he returned home, but he and his wife could not live happily, and he was frequently brought before the Recorder for beating his wife. Lately he effected a mortgage on his property without the consent of his wife, and was about to leave for parts unknown without having made provision for his wife's support, when Mrs. DUFF applied to the Poormaster, who immediately issued a warrant for Mr. DUFF's arrest. The hearing of the case was postponed to Tuesday.

Valuation of Property in New-Jersey.

From the annual report of State Comptroller McDONALD, of New-Jersey, the valuation of net taxable real estate and personal property is as follows: Atlantic County, $4,718,506; Bergen, $20,846 619; Burlington, $26,954,954; Camden, $18,800,000; Cape May, $3,800,000; Cumberland, $10,850,000; Essex, $84,824,600; Gloucester, $12,228,800; Hudson, $76,869,219; Hunterdon, $26,823,635; Mercer, $37,379,772; Middlesex, $21,000,000; Monmouth, $36,675,640; Morris, $28,139,512; Ocean, $4,847,598; Passaic, $21,626,909; Salem, $17,856,375; Somerset, $22,406,000; Sussex, $16,761,062; Union, $21,461,000; Warren, $22,160,000. Total valuation, $502,645,949. Valuation of 1867, $476,825,012. Increase in 1868, $27,120 93.

Soldiers' and Sailors' General Committees.

A meeting of this body was held last evening at No. 636 Broadway. Capt. S. S. UNNY occupied the chair, and Capt. JOHN NUNNEY acted as Secretary. Delegates were present from eighteen Assembly districts. The Committee on Permanent Organization reported the following as permanent officers of the Committee: President, Gen. J. S. COLONEL; First Vice-President, Chas. DANIEL; Second Vice-President, Col. BARNET VAN BUREN; Third Vice-President, Capt. S. S. UNNY; Treasurer, Lieut. CHAS. F. SPAULDING; Secretaries, Capt. MICHAEL CREGAN and Capt. ROBERT LAYMAN; Sergeant-at-Arms, Sergt. WM. TEMPLE.

On motion, the report was unanimously adopted. The utmost harmony and enthusiasm pervaded the meeting, and it was evident that the spirit which prevailed among the Boys in Blue in the late campaign had not yet died out.

Shocking Accident in a Saw-Mill.

A young man named GEORGE LAVERY was instantly killed, yesterday, in the Excelsior Planing and Sawing Mills, River-street, Newark. He was at the time leaning against a shaft, talking to one of the men, when his apron caught in the machinery and he was whirled round by the shaft, then going 240 times per minute. The works were at once stopped, but when the young man was taken up, life was found to be extinct. Both legs were broken, one of them being thrown a distance of twenty feet, and he was otherwise shockingly mutilated. Deceased was about 20 years of age, and resided at No. 14 Belleville-avenue.

Another Probable Murder.

At 8 o'clock last evening a quarrel occurred in Jersey-street, near Crosby, in which MICHAEL MILMAN was stabbed in the right breast by RICHARD MCGUIRE. The wound was severe, and the injured man was taken to Bellevue Hospital. The assailant was arrested by Officer BRADY, of the Fourteenth Precinct.

LOCAL NEWS IN BRIEF.

New-York.

Yesterday there was taken to the Morgue from Seventeenth-street, between Second and Third avenues, the body of an unknown woman, aged about 40 years, and five feet four inches high, who fell dead in the street. The deceased had light brown hair, mixed with gray. Had on check scarf, black alpaca dress, gray balmoral, brown petticoat, striped calico skirt, white chemise, Canton flannel drawers, white stockings, black woolen shawl, bonnet, black veil and lined gaiters. The body remains on the Morgue for identification.

Hon. HORACE GREELEY is announced to address the newsboys, at the Lodging House, No. 49 Park-place, on Sunday evening next.

The Bloomingdale Lyceum, an association of literary ladies and gentlemen, met last evening in their hall, corner of One Hundredth-street and Broadway, for the purpose of hearing a lecture from Prof. ALFRED A. POST, on "Wall-street." At the hour designated for the lecture, Dr. THOMAS MANSSON announced that Prof. POST had been suddenly attacked with a theumatic affection, and was unable to be present. Dr. MANSON then brought to the notice of the meeting what he termed the most extraordinary scientific discovery of the age—that of Prof. GRAHAM, one of the greatest scientific experimentalists in Europe—viz., that water has a metallic basis. This subject occupied the lecture, and also the effect of sunlight on plants, by Messrs. FRANCOUR, KEARE, DIECKWAY, EPPENEL and others, members of the Lyceum.

A large number of Polish ladies and gentlemen were assembled at No. 7 Delancey-street last night to celebrate the anniversary of the Polish insurrection of 1863. Mr. W. KRZYSZANOWSKI presided, and delivered an eloquent address, during which he was frequently interrupted by bursts of applause. Addresses were also delivered by Messrs. ALFRED CHAIKOWSKI and others. Letters from Col. JULIEN ALLEN and other prominent gentlemen were read, extending sympathy for the objects of the meeting and expressing regrets that they were prevented by other engagements from participating in the exercises of the evening.

Rev. HERRICK JOHNSON, D.D., of Philadelphia, will preach under the auspices of the Young Men's Christian Association, on Sunday evening, at the church on Fifth-avenue, corner of Twenty-ninth-street. The monthly meeting of the Association will be held on Monday evening, at No. 161 Fifth-avenue, when Rev. W. T. SABIN will read an essay on "Our American Sunday."

Typographical Union No. 6 held an adjourned meeting last evening at Masonic Hall, which was numerously attended. The book and job scale was unanimously adopted. The book and job scale was ordered to be put into effect on Monday, Jan. 25, and an immediate assessment of $5 levied on each member, in addition to the large amount now in the treasury, to sustain those who may be compelled to leave work to obtain the scale. The association now numbers 2,000 members, and is in a flourishing condition.

WILLIAM S. HUGHES, foreman of Metropolitan Hook and Ladder Company No. 1, fell yesterday in Fourth-avenue, and sustained severe injuries.

Yesterday morning at an early hour, RICHARD KERRIGAN, a Fourth Ward ruffian and an unknown companion, approached Officers BERGEN and FRAZER in Fifty-seventh-street, near Ninth-avenue, discharged a pistol at them, and then ran off. KERRIGAN was subsequently arrested.

MARTIN MCQUADE, of No. 91 Mulberry-street, was knocked down yesterday by PATRICK MCDERMOTT, who struck him on the head with a blunt instrument and caused a severe wound. MCQUADE was taken to the New-York Hospital.

Rev. Mr. ABBATT, being sick yesterday evening, did not speak at Olivet Chapel. His place was supplied by Rev. Mr. BROWN, who gave an interesting account of the Sequoias and other inhabitants of Northern British America.

The ice at the Empire City Skating Rink, Third-avenue, near Sixty-third-street, is said to be in excellent condition, and will be accessible to skaters to-day.

JOHN GRAHAM was badly mangled yesterday afternoon at the foundry, No. 536 East Eighteenth-street, where he was employed. He was sent to Bellevue Hospital.

JOHN FROST, a German, residing at No. 38 Cherry-street, was run over, yesterday afternoon, by car No. 47, Second-avenue line, and said his leg broken. He was sent to Bellevue Hospital, and THOMAS BRENNAN, the driver of the car, was arrested.

JOHN LENNON, of No. 162 Spring-street, was taken to Bellevue Hospital last evening with his foot crushed. He had received the injury by being run over by a train of cars at Newark, N. J.

At 7 o'clock last evening a defective flue caused a fire in the basement of No. 20 Cedar-street, occupied by J. E. SACHNEY, perfumer. A damage of $100 was done.

About 10 o'clock last evening a fire occurred on the first floor of No. 1 Barclay-street, occupied by P. M. HAYNEY, dealer in old books, whose loss is $5,000. The building, owned by ALEXANDER HAMILTON, is damaged $600.

A kerosene lamp exploded last evening in the carpenter shop of A. L. ALEXANDER, No. 178 Greene-street, causing slight damage by fire.

There was a lengthy calendar of charges against policemen, yesterday, before the Police Commissioners, but all of the cases were closed, largely arrived in their nature.

At 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon, WM. GRIFFITH, who resided in Seventh-avenue, Jersey City, fell upon a truck, loaded with hops, at the corner of Greene and Monroe streets, and was so badly injured that he died in a few minutes. The body was sent to the Morgue, and the Coroner notified.

New-Jersey.

Among the improvements in progress of completion at Newton are: A new Episcopal church, to cost $32,000; a parsonage, $6,000; town hall, $20,000; new Presbyterian church, $30,000; new Catholic church, $35,000; town school-house, $20,000; Roundhill Hotel, $50,000; gas works, $90,000; machine shop at depot, $10,000, and a number of private residences.

At the meeting of the Essex County Board of Freeholders yesterday, a report was received from the Committee appointed for the purpose, upon the subject of the Essex Road Board. The report remonstrates against the existence of the Board with its present unlimited power, and recommends the passage of an act creating a new board with restricted authority.

WILLIAM SHINN, a resident of Van Vorst-street, Jersey City, was arrested on Thursday evening for a violent assault upon a boy named PETER FENNEY, whom he supposed to have been throwing snow-balls at him. The boy was almost fatally injured by the blows inflicted upon him. SHINN was admitted to bail.

The New Jersey State Historical Society, at their annual meeting in Trenton this week, elected the following officers: President, RICHARD S. FIELD, of Princeton; Corresponding Secretary, WM. A. WHITEHEAD, of Newark; Recording Secretary, DAVID A. HAYS, Newark; Treasurer, ROBERT S. SWOZINE, Newark; Librarian, SAMUEL H. COWDEN, Newark.

In the Passaic County Court of Quarter Sessions, yesterday, MARY RICHARDSON, tried for larceny, was acquitted; MICHAEL TALLENS and HENRY GARDNER, tried on an indictment for breaking and entering, by day, were convicted of larceny; GEORGE FINN was convicted of assault.

Mr. DOUD's hat factory, at Orange, was entered some time ago by burglars, and robbed of $400 worth of silks and satins. The facts of the case have only just transpired. There has been no clue to the robbery.

Mr. SWALLOW, who resided in South Eighth-street, near Jersey-avenue, Jersey City, died of heart disease at his residence, on Thursday night. Mr. SWALLOW was a recent arrival from the Eastern States.

A fire occurred yesterday morning in the engine-room of KELLER's watch factory, near the Chestnut-street Depot, Newark. After considerable damage to the engine-room the fire was put out by the watchman and one or two others. The injury to the building will probably come to $500.

A fire broke out at about 3 o'clock yesterday morning in the rear of the house of JOHN OLENDORF, at No. 101 Warren-street, Jersey City. Officer BOYLE, assisted by others, soon extinguished it.

The Mr. O'CONNOR mentioned in this column yesterday, as having been robbed of $600, is not the person of that name doing business at No. 39 New-street, Newark, nor do any other of the statements in the same report allude to him.

A boy named BROWER died a few days since, in Somerset County, from having been struck by a piece of ice thrown at him by a playmate named PLUCKNIN.

The Coroner's Jury, in the case of MULVEY, found suffocated in a well at Sound Brook, have returned a verdict of accidental death.

The barn, and some other property, of Mr. YOUNG, of Plainfield, was burned on Monday. His loss is estimated at $2,600; fully insured.

A meeting was to be held in Plainfield, last evening, on the question of establishing a Council of the Order of United American Mechanics.

A little girl two years old, whose father, ALEXANDER HAGANS, resides at No. 445 Main-street, Paterson, was fatally scalded yesterday by the falling on her body of a pot of boiling water.

MARY BURNS and MATTHEW MCMAHON were committed for trial at Newark yesterday on charges of having stolen quantities of dry goods from various parties.

A son of Capt. COOK, of the Jersey Ferry, had one of his fingers cut off yesterday by being caught in the machinery of one of the boats.

The Holsman estate in Bergen, purchased about two years ago for $75,000, by a Cuban gentleman, has been resold for $800,000.

Eight hogs, recently killed in Melville, weighed in the aggregate 4,014 pounds.

FOREIGN MARKETS.

LONDON, Friday, Jan. 22—11 A. M.

Consols open at 93¾ for money and 93¾@93⅞ for the account.

United States Five-twenty Bonds, 79¾. Stocks steady. Erie, 20¾; Illinois, 92.

FRANKFORT, Friday, Jan. 22.

United States Five-twenty Bonds, 79⅝@79¾ for the issue of 1862.

PARIS, Friday, Jan. 22.

The Bourse is firm: Rentes, 70f. 12c.

LIVERPOOL, Friday, Jan. 22—11 A. M.

COTTON—The market opens firmer, but not quotably higher. The following are the opening quotations:

Middling Uplands.....11¼d.
Middling Orleans.....11¾d.

The sales of the day are estimated at 15,000 bales.

The sales of the week have been 67,000 bales, of which 12,000 were taken for export, and 10,000 on speculation. The stock in port and on shipboard is estimated at 364,000 bales, of which 82,000 are from the United States.

BREADSTUFFS—Wheat, 11s. 7d.@11s. 9d. ⅌ cental for California White, and 9s. 7d.@9s. 9d. for No. 2 Red Western. Flour, 28s. ⅌ bbl. for Western Canal. Corn, 36s. ⅌ quarter for old, and 32s. 3d. for new. Oats, 3s. 6d. ⅌ bushel. Barley, 5s. ⅌ bushel. Peas, 40s. 6d. ⅌ quarter for Canadian.

PROVISIONS—Pork, 75s. 6d. ⅌ bbl. for Eastern Prime Mess. Beef, 102s. ⅌ tierce of 304 lbs. for Extra Prime Mess. Lard, 72s. ⅌ cwt. Cheese, 72s. 6d. ⅌ cwt. for the best grades of American fine. Bacon, 51s. ⅌ cwt. for Cumberland cut.

PRODUCE—Rosin, 5s. ⅌ cwt. for common North Carolina, and 10s. for Fine. Petroleum, 9d. ⅌ gallon for Spirits, and 1s. 3d. for Refined. Tallow, 46s. ⅌ cwt. Turpentine, 30s. ⅌ cwt. Linseed Oil, £30 ⅌ ton.

LONDON, Friday, Jan. 22.

Turpentine, 29s. ⅌ cwt. Tallow, 46s. 3d. ⅌ cwt. Linseed Cakes, £11 5s. ⅌ ton. Linseed Oil, £32 10s. ⅌ ton. Sperm Oil, £92 ⅌ ton. Whale Oil, £37 ⅌ ton. Calcutta Linseed, 58s. Sugar, 38s. 6d. ⅌ cwt. for No. 12 Dutch Standard.

LONDON, Friday, Jan. 22—1 P. M.

Stocks steady. Erie, 20¾. Illinois, 92.

LIVERPOOL, Friday, Jan. 22—1 P. M.

COTTON—The market is active and prices have advanced ⅛d. ⅌ lb. since the opening. Middling Uplands, 11¼d. Middling Orleans, 11¾d. The stock of Cotton afloat is estimated at 381,000 bales, of which 130,000 are from America.

PROVISIONS—Cheese, 72s. ⅌ cwt. for the best grades of American fine.

PRODUCE—Tallow, 46s. 3d. ⅌ cwt.

LONDON, Friday, Jan. 22—1 P. M.

Linseed Cakes, £11@£11 5s. ⅌ ton for rain oblong for delivery. Tallow, 46s. 6d. ⅌ cwt. Petroleum, 1s. 3d. ⅌ gallon for Standard White, (new test.)

HAVRE, Friday, Jan. 22.

COTTON—The market opens steady for both on the spot and afloat. Low Middlings afloat, 127f. ⅌ 100 lbs.

LIVERPOOL, Friday, Jan. 22—2 P. M.

YARN REPORT—Yarns and fabrics at Manchester quiet, but firm.

BREADSTUFFS—Wheat, 11s. 9d. ⅌ cental for California White, and 9s. 9d.@9s. 11d. for No. 2 Red Western. Corn, 36s. ⅌ quarter for old mixed Western. Oats, 3s. 6d. ⅌ bushel. Peas firmer, but not quotably higher.

LONDON, Friday, Jan. 22—4:30 P. M.

Consols close at 93¾ for both money and the account. United States Five-twenties, 79¾. Stocks firm. Erie, 20¾; Illinois, 92; Atlantic and Great Western, 40¾.

FRANKFORT, Friday, Jan. 22.

United States Five-twenty Bonds firm at 79¾ for the issue of 1862.

LIVERPOOL, Friday, Jan. 22—4:30 P. M.

COTTON—The market closed active at the following quotations: Middling Uplands, 11¼d.@11⅜d.; Middling Orleans, 11¾@11⅝d. The sales of the day have footed up 15,000 bales.

PROVISIONS—Lard, 72s. 3d. ⅌ cwt.

PRODUCE—Rosin dull and unchanged. Linseed Oil firmer, but not quotably higher. Cloverseed firmer, but not quotably higher.

LONDON, Friday, Jan. 22.

Spirits Petroleum, 9¼d. ⅌ gallon. Sperm Oil, £95 ⅌ ton.

PARIS, Friday, Jan. 22.

The regular weekly statement of the Bank of France, made public to-day, shows that the amount of bullion in vault has increased 1,100,000 francs since the last report.

Petroleum unchanged.

PARIS, Friday, Jan. 22.

The Bourse is firm. Rentes, 70f. 8c.

HAVRE, Friday, Jan. 22.

COTTON—The market is unchanged.

ANTWERP, Friday, Jan. 22.

Petroleum 35¾f.@36¾f. for Standard White.

HAVRE, Friday, Jan. 22.

Cotton, 127f. for Ten Ordinaries, on the spot.

HAVANA, Friday, Jan. 22.

SUGAR firmer, with a better feeling in the market. No. 12 Dutch Standard is quoted at 8¼ reals ⅌ arroba. Exchange on London 19¾@20 ⅌ cent premium; on Paris 36¾@37 ⅌ cent premium; on United States 60 days' sight, in currency, 30@34 ⅌ cent. discount; in gold, 4¾@5 ⅌ cent. premium. Specie, 5¾@6 ⅌ cent premium.

DOMESTIC MARKETS.

CHICAGO, Friday, Jan. 22.

EXCHANGE STIRRED on New-York at par. FLOUR dull; Spring Extras, $6 12½@$6 25. WHEAT active and excited; sales of No. 1 at $1 19@$1 22; No. 2 at $1 15@$1 16; Cash active and firm; New, $1 16. CORN active; sales, 60,000 bu. at 65c.; sales of No. 2, cash, last half of April, 66½c. OATS active and firm; sales at 38½c. RYE more active and advanced 4c.@5c.; sales of No. 1 at $1 18@$1 19. BARLEY active; sales of No. 2, buyers' option, $1 32@$1 35. WHISKEY dull, depressed and nominal, at 84½c.@85c. PROVISIONS active. MESS PORK excited and opened 50c.@75c. higher, sales at $20 50 seller February and March at $20. BULK MEATS steady and firm; Rough Sides, 16½c.; Shoulders, 12½c.@12¾c. HAMS firm; 16½c.@17½c. for Sugar Cured. LARD firm; steamed, 12c. DRESSED HOGS active and steady at $12 25@$12 50. LIVE HOGS firm and active; selling at $8 75@$9 for Common; $9 10@$9 20; Fair to good packing, $9 35. CATTLE quiet; fair to medium, $4@$5 25; good Steers, $7@$7 12½; butchers' Cows, $4 50@$5. SHEEPSKINS lower, 1,000 bbls. Flour, 4,000 bushels Wheat, 19,000 bushels Corn, 32,000 bushels Oats, 1,000 bushels Rye, 40,000 bushels Barley, 3,000 Hogs. SHIPMENTS—1,000 bbls. Flour, 12,000 bushels Wheat, 12,000 bushels Corn, 8,000 bushels Oats, 4,000 bushels Rye.

NEW-ORLEANS, Friday, Jan. 22.

COTTON—Receipts to-day, 5,325 bales; of the week, gross, 32,710 bales; net, 23,143 bales; exports to-day, 5,946 bales; week to Great Britain, 6,956 bales; to the Continent, 1,692 bales; consuming, 12,422 bales; stock on hand, 140,420 bales; sales to-day, 2,600 bales; week, 32,8 0 bales; market opened active and advanced ¼c.@½c. on the quotations of yesterday; sales at yesterday's rates; Middling, 26½c. Gold, 37½. Sterling Exchange, 1st Commercial, 107@108½; New-York, sight, ¼ discount. SUGAR active; Common, 10½c.@11½c. MOLASSES active; Common, 60c. gold.; Prime, 65c. gold.; Choice, 75c. gold. FLOUR firm; Superfine, $7 50@$8 25; Choice, $9 50@$10 50; Double Extra, $11@$12 50; Fancy, $13@$14. CORN firm; Western, $1 20@$1 25. OATS firmer; Western, 75c. gold